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A daylight R.A.F. attack on shipbuilding yards on the Seine and extensive sweeps over Northern France yesterday were reported in an Air Ministry communique.

The communique said that early in the afternoon Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command escorted by fighters attacked shipbuilding yards at Le Trait, on the Seine, west of Rouen.

Bursts were seen on sheds and slipways and the target was left hidden in smoke.

Our fighters also carried out extensive sweeps over Northern France.

In the course of these operations four enemy fighters were destroyed. Our losses were three fighters.—Reuter.

AMERICAN  
OFFER  
TO SOVIET

The United States has offered to buy any strategic materials Russia might want to sell to help pay for purchases of war supplies in America, declared Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, at his press conference in Washington yesterday.

THE OFFER WAS MADE TO THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR, M. OUMANSKY, A WEEK AGO BUT MR. JONES DID NOT KNOW WHEN THE DEAL WAS LIKELY TO BE PUT THROUGH.

Mr. Jones explained the only difficulty was to get materials, particularly manganese and chromium, from western Russia to Vladivostok and then finding ships to transport them to the U.S.

He said purchases would not necessarily be balanced by the equivalent amount of war materials bought in the U.S.

"The Russians have a good supply of cash—gold. They have not asked for a loan," Reuter.

JAPANESE  
IMPOSE  
CENSORSHIP

In Washington yesterday President Roosevelt announced that the Japanese had imposed censorship of radio and cable communication, says Reuter.

Rumours  
Cause  
Disquiet

(By REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)

There is no definite news from the Far East in authoritative quarters in London but it is significant that disquieting rumours regarding Japanese intentions concerning Indo-China continue notwithstanding the Japanese Cabinet changes.

In this regard it is noteworthy that Mr. Ohashi, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, who gave Sir Robert Craigie, our Ambassador, most categorical assurances regarding the purity of Japanese intentions in Indo-China, has been relieved of office at his own request.—Reuter.

LONDON  
MESSAGE  
TO MOSCOW

Mr. C. G. Ammon, Chairman of the London County Council, has sent the following telegram to the Chairman of the Moscow Soviet:—

"On behalf of the people of London I send sympathetic greetings to the people of Moscow in the wanton damage to their city. We share with you the hazards and dangers of these inhuman attacks. In the pride of resistance we salute you. We will stand together until the end. Victory is assured."—Reuter.

Nazi And Soviet  
Reports Flatly  
Contradictory

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FLATLY CONTRADICTORY. PICTURES OF EVENTS ALONG RUSSIA'S EXTENSIVE BATTLEFRONT CONTINUE TO BE PRESENTED BY GERMAN AND SOVIET VERSIONS OF EVENTS, BUT IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT SMOLENSK IS STILL IN SOVIET HANDS, THOUGH PANZER UNITS MAY HAVE WORKED ROUND ITS FLANKS.

Yesterday was quieter on the northern sector, where the Russians are firmly holding the German thrust along the shore of Lake Peipus, but there was heavy fighting on the northern wing of the central front, round Polotsk and Nevel and towards Smolensk.

A stubborn battle is still in progress in the direction of Novograd-Volinsk, where the danger seems, at the moment, less to Kiev than from a German attempt to work down the Dniester, imperilling the Russian positions in Bessarabia.

Berlin makes no specific claims to achievements, beyond the capture of Lieutenant Jakob Jugushve'i, son of Stalin. DNB, in its usual vein, claims the "destruction of six Red divisions" says that the main defence is plunged into a "severe crisis," and adds that the "second battle of annihilation is approaching its zenith."

"Izvestia," in Moscow, carries details of an action behind the Russian main lines in which an advanced German tank column was exterminated after a fourteen hour battle in which the Germans lost 39 tanks.

An earlier official bulletin announced that Soviet troops and planes had halted the German offensives in the three main fighting zones, adding that stubborn fighting continued in the central and Ukraine sectors. — International News Service.

## German Communique

Yesterday's German High Command communique states that "breaching operations of the German army, in conjunction with their allies, have divided the Soviet defence front into unco-ordinated groups."

"Despite tough local resistance and obstinate counter-attacks, no co-ordinated leadership of the enemy is now recognizable."

"On the whole eastern front the defeat and annihilation of isolated groups of Soviet forces is continuing ceaselessly."

## Moscow Raid

"As reprisal for Bolshevik air raids on the open capitals of Bucharest and Helsinki, the Luftwaffe on Monday night made their first attack on Moscow."

"In a series of waves 12 bomber formations bombed military

installations and munitions industries, visibility being good.

"In the vicinity of the Kremlin and the Moskva River direct hits caused a number of fires, some large."

"Buildings of the High Command and administrative authorities and a public utility (Continued on Page 16)

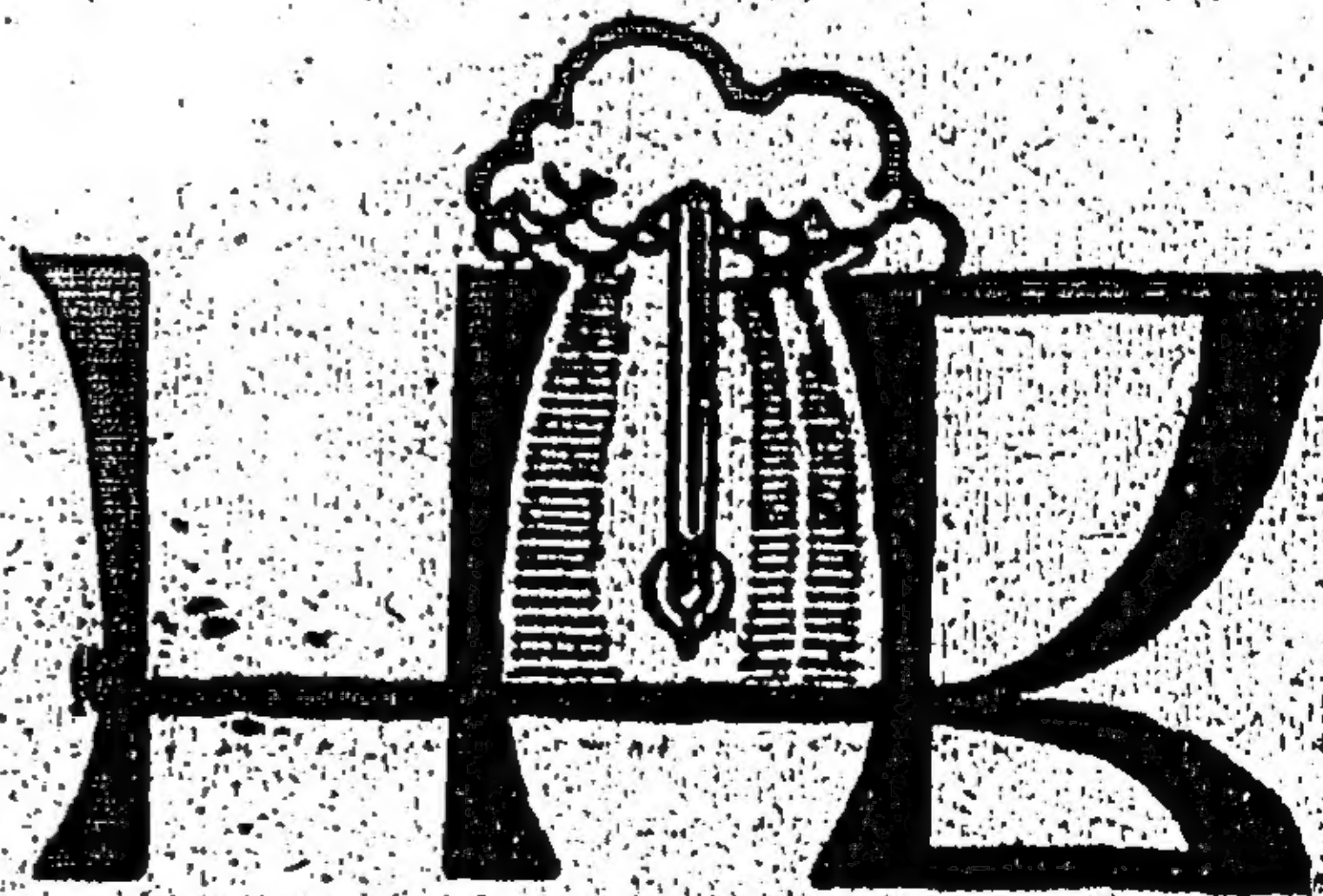
HEALTH OF  
THE POPE

REPORTS THAT THE POPE IS UNWELL APPEAR TO BE CONTRADICTED BY A STATEMENT BY THE OFFICIAL ITALIAN NEWS AGENCY YESTERDAY DESCRIBING A VISIT TO THE VATICAN BY THE BULGARIAN PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, M. POPOFF, WHO IS NOW IN ROME.

M. Popoff was received with some ceremonial and escorted by the Swiss guard to the library where he had "a long and cordial talk" with the Pope.

He later paid a visit to Cardinal Maglione, Secretary of State. — Reuter.

HAVE AN H.B.—



— AND THEN TRY!



# American Loan To Britain Given Wall Street Blessing

## ITALIAN TRAIN SMASH

Italy's second train smash in three days occurred near Naples yesterday morning, states a Rome despatch. Two trains collided in the station at Baies. Hitherto 12 injured people have been dug out of the wreckage.—Reuter.

## Substantial Backing

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF AN AMERICAN LOAN TO BRITAIN, MADE OVER THE RADIO EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING IN WASHINGTON, SURPRISED MOST PEOPLE BUT IS NOT EXPECTED TO AROUSE ANYTHING BUT APPROVAL.**

It is increasingly realised by the average person that in the interests of world economy in general and America particularly, that Britain is essential as a going business concern and that unless she can earn she cannot buy.

The spirit in evidence before the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill amongst those who opposed that Bill — that Britain should be given nothing until investments on the American side of the Atlantic are liquidated — has disappeared and the present loan is likely to assume the appearance of an act between allied concerns which are in business with a single objective — the destruction of Nazism.

Amongst the few businessmen contacted early yesterday morning the first reaction was that it is a far more sensible arrangement to lend money against such excellent collateral than to ruin the market by dumping securities in order to liquidate them for ready cash.

### Rally On Market

Removal of a huge volume of British-owned American securities from the market as loan collateral provided an added stimulus yesterday to yesterday morning's rally of the New York Stock Exchange, although announcement of the loan had been expected for some time.

Wall Street welcomes the removal of the possibility of additional forced liquidations which has been one of the numerous threats hanging over the market in the last several months.—Reuter.

## D.N.B. ON MOSCOW RAID

First German mention of a Nazi air raid on Moscow was made early yesterday afternoon, the official news agency reporting that bomber and dive-bomber formations caused great destruction.

"In a series of raids lasting from early night till dawn, German squadrons dropped high explosives of all calibres and thousands of incendiary bombs on targets of military importance in Moscow extensive fires being observed south of the River Moskva."

According to a report 12 explosions were observed near the Kremlin, the Germans likening the raid to the "heaviest dealt or targets of military importance in Britain."—Reuter.

Neutrals in Moscow stated the little damage was to be seen. The Moscow High Command claimed that few raiders got through the defences.



The shortage of cigarettes in England and the talk of a possible ban on "smokes for women" has not worried this young City typist. She has solved the problem by making her own cigarettes.

## "V" LIGHTS SEEN BY BRITISH NIGHT RAIDERS

LIGHTS IN THE SHAPE of "V's" were seen by R.A.F. pilots while over France, Holland and Belgium on Monday night, stated the Air Ministry News Service in London yesterday.

Reports to this effect by one of the British crews on their return from France was at first received with a sceptical smile by their interrogation officer. But other crews had also seen this and other "V's" both in France and the Low Countries.

The crews said that they were not anything like the lights of an aerodrome. One "V" was made by white lights enclosed in circles of red lights and another by five yellow lights in each arm. They varied from between 12 and 50 feet in length but a "V" in Belgium seemed about 100 yards long and made continuous lines of light, "like a neon sign" as the pilot said who reported it.

Describing Monday night's raids on Germany, the Air Ministry News Service stated that a strong force of aircraft did great execution among industrial buildings in Frankfurt-on-Main and Mannheim. An important railway yard was the focus of the attack at Frankfurt which is one of the chief commercial centres of Germany and a strategic point on

great trade routes between the north and the south.

### Heavy Fires

The crew of one aircraft said that they saw an explosion which destroyed a large building. Many fires in the railway yard were reported as well. Elsewhere in the town and especially in the neighbourhood of the main railway station there were large and well-established fires burning among clouds of smoke.

At Mannheim, glimpses of the river led the first few of the British crews to attack and so there were a good many fires burning to guide their successors. Industrial areas both at Mannheim and in its suburb of Ludwigshafen across the Rhine were vigorously bombed. A flash from one of the most powerful British bombs lit up an aircraft flying at well over 12,000 feet.—Reuter.



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# ATTEMPT TO CUT BURMA ROAD

## Chinese Visualise Attack From Indo-China

### SHARP GERMAN NOTE TO BOLIVIA

Authoritative quarters in Berlin state that the German Government yesterday sent a sharp note of protest to the Bolivian Government on its behaviour to the German Minister there, states the official German News Agency.—Reuter.

### WOUNDED WAR PRISONERS

An account of the progress of negotiations with enemy Powers for the exchange of badly wounded prisoners was sought in the House of Commons yesterday at question-time.

Mr. Richard Law, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that proposals for repatriation by means of hospital or other suitable ships were made last year by the British Government, but were not accepted by the German Government.

A counter-proposal for repatriation from neutral countries by ambulance aircraft had, however, recently been received from Berlin.

While, for practical reasons, the British Government had been unable to accept it in the form in which it had been made, they had made an alternative suggestion which they hoped would be acceptable to the German Government.

Meanwhile, the governments of those neutral countries with whose cooperation it was hoped that the scheme could be put into effect were being approached.

#### Italian Discussions

Negotiations with Italy were not necessarily so far advanced as in the case of Germany in view of the fact that no large numbers of prisoners were in question until this year.

Medical commissions, said Mr. Law, should soon be functioning in Italy, the Middle East and India, with a view to selecting those entitled to repatriation. Meanwhile, the means by which repatriation would be effected were under discussion.—Reuter.

### GERMAN STORIES OF RAIDS

"IN WATERS AROUND ENGLAND GERMAN BOMBERS SCORED DIRECT HITS ON TWO LARGE FREIGHTERS. OTHERS ATTACKED HARBOUR INSTALLATIONS IN SOUTH-EAST ENGLAND," SAYS A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

"In the Suez Canal bombs of all calibres were dropped on military installations.

"In attempted enemy sweeps over the Channel coast six British

## To Precede Expansion Activity

**THE POSSIBILITY THAT JAPAN MAY SHORTLY LAUNCH A NEW DRIVE IN AN ATTEMPT TO CUT THE BURMA ROAD WHILE AWAITING CLARIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION BEFORE DECIDING ON A NORTH OR SOUTH EXPANSION, IS BEING DISCUSSED IN CHUNGKING.**

The present Japanese negotiations with Indo-China are probably connected with the forthcoming drive since Japan is expected to use Indo-China as a base for attack.

Chinese opinion further contends that Japan may push northward from Luokay along the railway towards Kuming or westward into Burma or both.

JAPANESE TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM VARIOUS FRONTS IN CHINA, AND THE SIGHTING OF A JAPANESE CONVOY MOVING SOUTH FROM CANTON, ARE ATTRACTING CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION HERE.

#### Sumita's Call

The head of the Japanese military mission in Indo-China, Major-General Sumita, called on Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China, last evening for a talk lasting an hour, according to a Hanoi telegram to Tokyo.

Another meeting is expected today which will be the third on successive days.

Absolutely no details have been vouchsafed regarding the outcome of the discussions and it is understood that General Sumita is now awaiting fresh instructions from Tokyo.—Reuter.

### CHIANG THANKS MALAYA

THE FIRM BELIEF THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CHINA WILL BECOME CLOSER THAN EVER BEFORE WAS EXPRESSED BY GENERAL ALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN A CABLE TO THE GOVERNOR, SIR SHEN TON THOMAS, THANKING HIM FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN TO THE CHINESE MILITARY MISSION.

The mission recently made a tour of the British defence system in Malaya.

Chiang Kai-shek's message reads in part: General Shang Chen, the leader of the mission, and his assistants benefitted immensely from the visit.

All the arrangements made for them were greatly appreciated.

I firmly believe that relations between our two great nations will be closer than ever before.—Reuter.

fighters were brought down by German fighters.

"British bombers dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs at various places in south-west Germany killing and wounding some civilians. It was mostly houses that were damaged and destroyed. A.A. artillery shot down one attacking bomber."—Reuter.

### No Break Yet With Finland

After careful consideration the British Government has decided at present to maintain diplomatic relations with Finland.

It has at the same time left the Finnish Government in no doubt that this decision to continue may at any time be reversed in the light of events.

This announcement was made by Lord Snell in the House of Lords yesterday afternoon.

Lord Snell intimated that the issue of navicerts for goods destined to Finland had ceased and that no facilities were being given for ships to proceed to Finland.—Reuter.

### HEAVY RAID ON NAPLES

Large fires and explosions were caused in Naples harbour during an attack by the R.A.F. on Sunday night.

Yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communique announcing this fact states that heavy bombers attacked Naples harbour and railway sidings in the vicinity on the night of July 20/21.

The first bomba dropped on the target caused large fires and these were subsequently enlarged by bombs from later aircraft.

The fires were accompanied by explosions.

During the same night heavy bombers again attacked the docks and installations at Benghazi, causing fires and explosions on moles.

All our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

### CZECH MINISTER TO MOSCOW

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that Zdenek Fierlinger, former Czechoslovak Minister in Moscow, has been appointed to represent Czechoslovakia in the Soviet Union as result of the agreement by which relations between the two countries are resumed.

M. Fierlinger, who is now in London, will shortly leave for Moscow.—Reuter.

### EAST AFRICAN CONQUEST REVELATIONS

General Cunningham's force in East Africa did not exceed 20,000 infantry and 68 guns, it was officially announced in Nairobi yesterday, but they defeated Italian forces numbering 170,000, including 96,000 infantry and 400 guns.—Reuter.

### RAID ON THE SUEZ CANAL

An air raid was carried out on the Suez Canal area early yesterday morning, the Egyptian Ministry of Interior announces. A few bombs were dropped, causing no casualties and only slight damage.

### SALE OF OIL TO JAPAN

The sale of oil to Japan was the subject of a question in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Gallagher.

He asked whether the oil agreement made in 1940, whereby the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company was to sell one million barrels of oil to Japan is still in operation and what were the figures for oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East in 1941.

Mr. R. K. Law, new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he had been informed by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company that the contract referred to was not now in operation.

He further understood that no oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East had taken place in 1941.—Reuter.

The alarm was also sounded in other parts of the Nile Delta.—Reuter

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# INDIANS AGREE TO JOIN VICEROY'S NEW WAR CABINET

A WHITE PAPER ON "INDIA AND THE WAR," PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY BY MR. L. M. AMERY, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA, GIVES DETAILS OF THE PROPOSALS UNDER WHICH INDIANS ARE TO BE ABSORBED IN THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND MORE INDIANS ARE TO HOLD PORTFOLIOS IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

It is hoped by this means to augment and consolidate India's war effort and it has the backing of most influential groups of Indian opinion.

The new members of the Executive Council are as representative of and as responsive to public opinion as the refusal of the Congress Party and the Muslim League to cooperate makes possible.

The White Paper announced a decision to enlarge the Executive Council in order to permit of the repatriation of the portfolios of Law and Supply and of Commerce and Labour, and the division of the present portfolios of education, health and lands, into separate portfolios of Education, Health and Lands and Indians Overseas, and also the creation of portfolios of Information and Civil Defence.

The Viceroy has also succeeded in securing cooperation in the establishment of a National Defence Council of distinguished and representative Indians in British India and the rulers of the Indian States.

## A War Cabinet

Though no constitutional change is involved in these announcements and the enlarged Executive Council will not be responsible to the Legislature, the Viceroy will now have what, to all intents and purposes, is a War Cabinet with a marked majority of Indian public men instead of the former European and official majority.

Authoritative quarters recall that in various statements made on behalf of the British Government since the outbreak of war, it has been made clear that constitutional changes in India are quite impracticable while the British Empire is engaged in a vital struggle for its existence and that an agreement between the major political parties and interests in India is a fundamental condition of the consideration of any new constitutional scheme.

## Door Left Open

It was last summer, following many attempts to ease political tension in India, and to bring Indian public opinion into close contact with the central government in the conduct of the war that the Viceroy formulated proposals for the extension of his Council and for setting up what was then described as a War Advisory Council.

For a number of reasons, these proposals were found to be unacceptable by the major political parties in India, but it was made clear by the Viceroy that the Government would leave the door open for acceptance of such a plan as soon as a sufficient degree of representative support was forthcoming.

## Politics Unchanged

During the intervening months, all endeavours of the Viceroy were directed towards finding a way in which Indian public opinion could be brought more intimately into association with the administration in all matters connected with the war effort.

There is nothing to indicate at present that political conditions in India are on the way towards being bridged. Whitehall point out that the Viceroy waited for no less than 11 months since the failure of political parties in India to enter Government before extending invitations to the individuals he has now called to the service of their country.

## Ready To Cooperate

Nevertheless, the creating of a National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community which

are ready to cooperate. There are 22 representatives of British India on the Council.

Representatives of the Indian States will, all of them, be Princes with the possible exception of Hyderabad.

The National Defence Council will meet at intervals under the Chairmanship of the Viceroy and the Council will on each occasion receive a confidential statement on the war position and of the position in regard to supply.

## New Members

The new Member for Supply is Sir Hormasji Peroshaw Mody, member of the Central Legislative Assembly. He was chairman of the Bombay Millowners Association and is director of the famous Iron and Steel firm of Tatas and Chairman of the Central Bank of India.

The Member for Information is Sir Akbar Hydari. He is a Privy Councillor and until recently was President of Nizam of Hyderabad's Executive Council. He was the leader of Hyderabad's State Delegation to the three Round Table Conferences in London.

Member for Civil Defence is Mr. Iraghavendra Rao. He was acting Governor of the Central Provinces in 1936 and has twice been a Minister in the Central Provinces Government of which he was appointed Home Member in 1930.

Member for Labour is Sir Firoz-khan Noon, High Commissioner

## ARMISTICE CONTROL IN SYRIA

Major-General John Chrystall has been appointed chairman of the Armistice Control Commission in Syria.

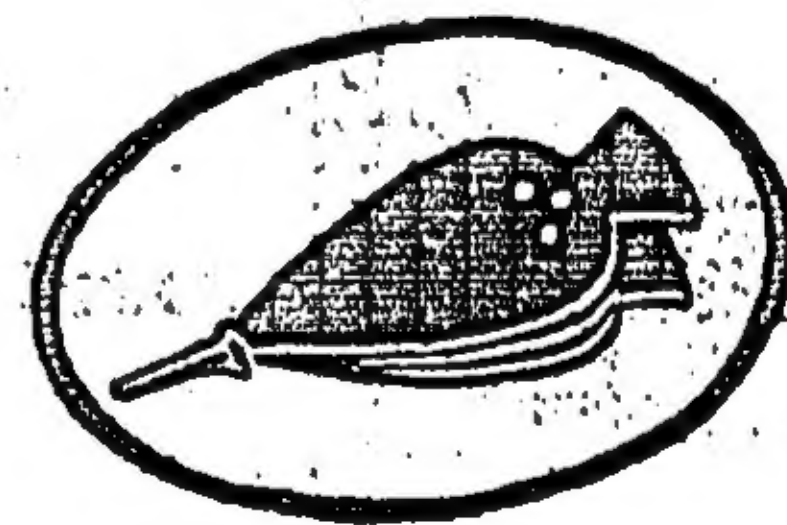
Chief Vichy representative is General de Verdillac, who was principal Vichy delegate during the armistice negotiations. — Reuter.

for India in London, who has only very recently returned from an extensive tour of the United States.

Member for Indians Overseas is Mr. Madhao Shrihari Aney. He is a member of the Legislative Assembly for Berar and was acting President of the Indian Congress Party in 1933 and a member of the working Committee until 1934.

The new Law Member is Sir Sultan Ahmed, Advocate-General of Bihar. The new Member for Education, Health and Land, is Mr. Nalin Ranjan Sarkar, ex-Finance Minister of the Bengal Government.

The creation of the National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community which are ready to cooperate and answer the insistent demand for something of this kind. — Reuter.



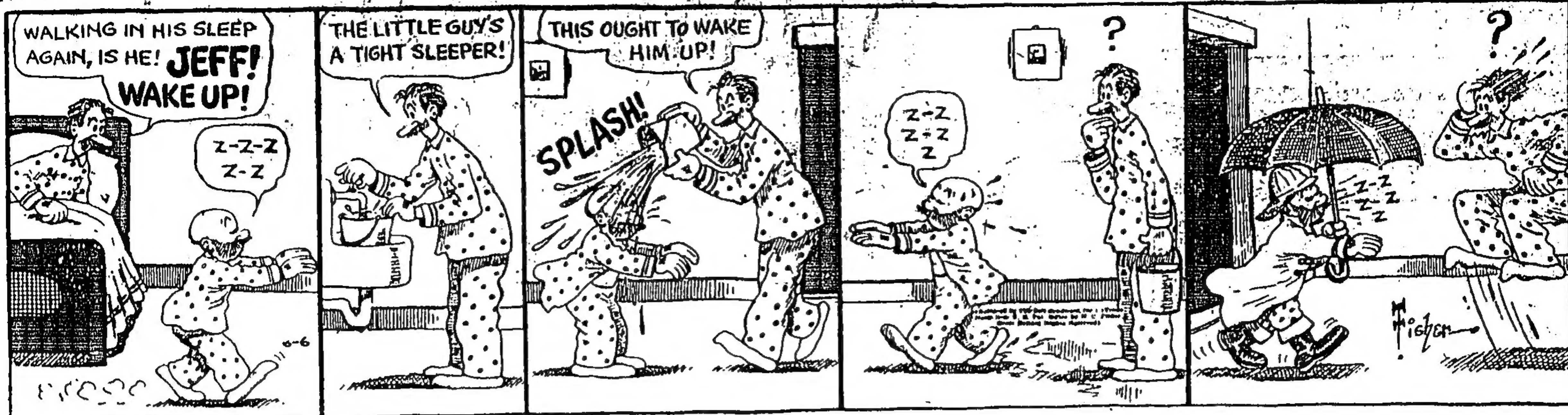
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## MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



## 1,800 NAZIS FOR MOROCCO

The French in Morocco continue to be subjected to German pressure. It is reported that M. de Brinon, Marshal Petain's representative in Paris, has again been issuing visas to German tourists on a large scale — 1,800 is the figure mentioned.

Gen. Nogues, the Resident-General of Morocco, and Gen. Weygand, who is the representative of Vichy in the whole of North Africa, are understood to have taken serious alarm and to be ready to refuse entry to these German agents on the ground that their presence is against the security of the territory.

The two generals can still count on the fidelity of the local population and on the loyalty of the native troops, but whether they can count on Adml. Darlan is another matter.

Immediately the first of the German agents is informed that he may not leave the boat, there will be a storm of protest by the local German Consul. The Wiesbaden Armistice Commission will ask Marshal Petain to give the necessary instructions, and it is difficult to see how they could be disregarded.

## EXPLORER WITH WINGS; NOW TRAINING FLIERS

ALTHOUGH FAMILIAR with and, no doubt, able to make himself comfortable on the only two spots of earth so far completely unaffected by war—the North and South Poles—Riiser Larsen prefers to be in London, prefers even to be in an office, writes Philip Jordan in the "News Chronicle."

Abandoned until war is over are any thoughts of new Polar explorations: the considerable energies of this captain in the Norwegian Navy are now directed to organising training the liberating squadrons of pilots chosen from among thousands of his fellow-countrymen who flocked from all over the world to join Norway's battle. Some, he says, came from China, from Patagonia.

This titanic man, unlike the usual idea of a Scandinavian, is dark-haired, dark-eyed, but, like all of them, softly speaking. Uncomfortable in an office, obviously, he none the less now labours daily at irksome staff work to

prepare the way for his expert pilots to fit into the R.A.F.

Soon they will be here, soon an integral part of Britain's aerial strength.

"Will they be used against the Germans in Norway?" I asked him. "Or would that be asking too much of them?"

They will be used against Norway, he hopes, and that hope is shared by all his men. "Messages come from our friends at home," Riiser Larsen says. "They are getting a little bit impatient to see us overhead. They ask, 'When are you coming?' Well, they won't have to wait much longer now."

Complete with everything down to gas masks, tin hats, complete even with aeroplanes, the Norwegian squadrons are on the way from an Imperial training depot. Riiser Larsen and his staff are the advance guard, heralds of eventual doom for the over-runners of his country.

The Norwegian Government wanted him to stay in Washington, at the Legation, buying planes, running schools for pilots. That wasn't good enough for Larsen; it was too far away. Had he stayed in Washington he would not, he says, ever have been able to go back to Norway again, to look it in the face. And he wants to: more than anything.

Norway's relations with the Air Ministry are excellent: niches are ready for her coming squadrons to drop right into the R.A.F., take their place in the battle-line from the first day of their arrival.

Not so excellent, it would seem, are their relations with the telephone department of the G.P.O., who have installed in Larsen's offices a system that would be a riot on the Palladium's stage, but is not so funny in a serious outfit.

But about the pilots. Although believing Larsen's estimate of them, I got an independent judgment from an R.A.F. friend who has flown with Norwegians. "What are they like?" I asked. They're "wizard," you'll be glad to know.

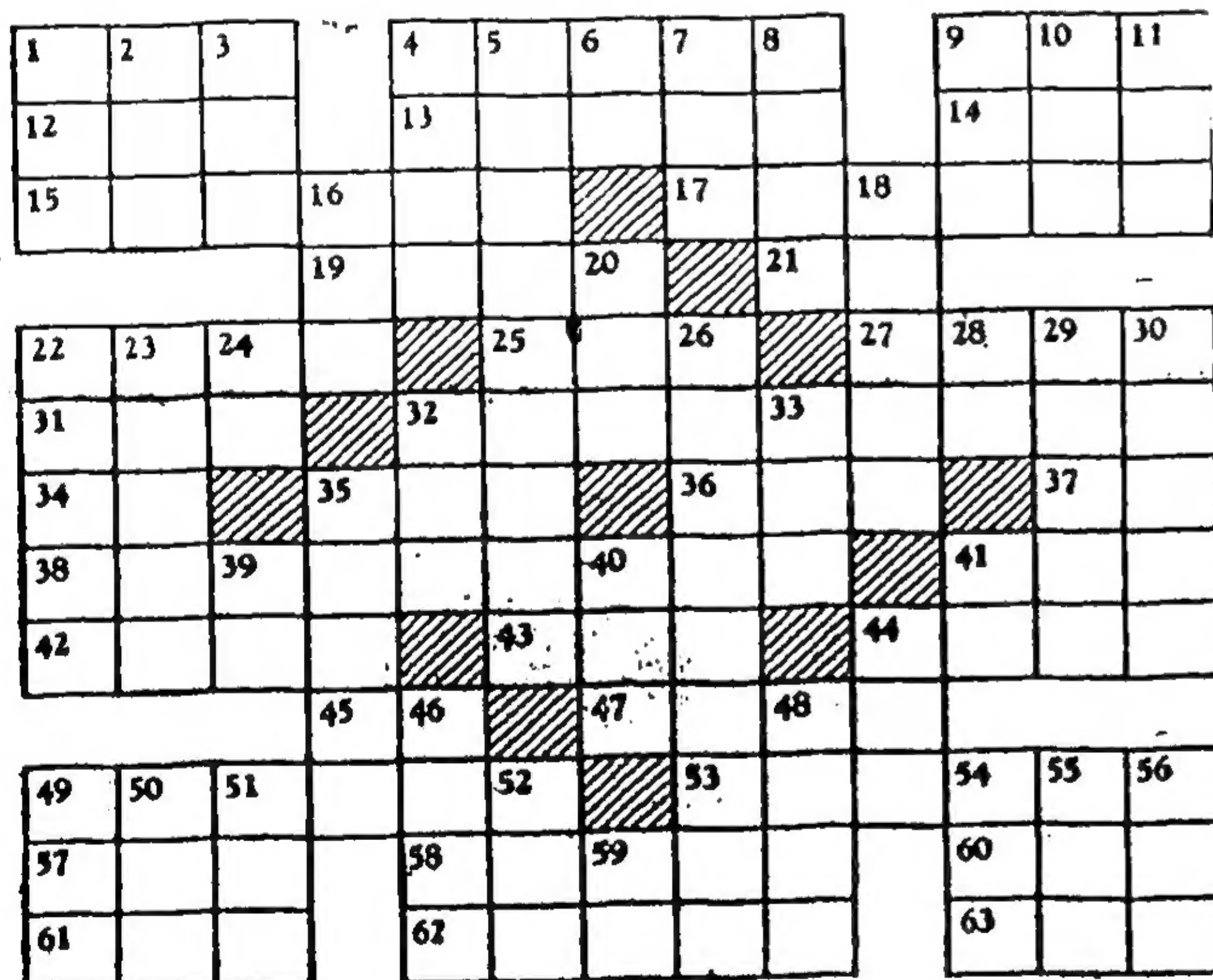
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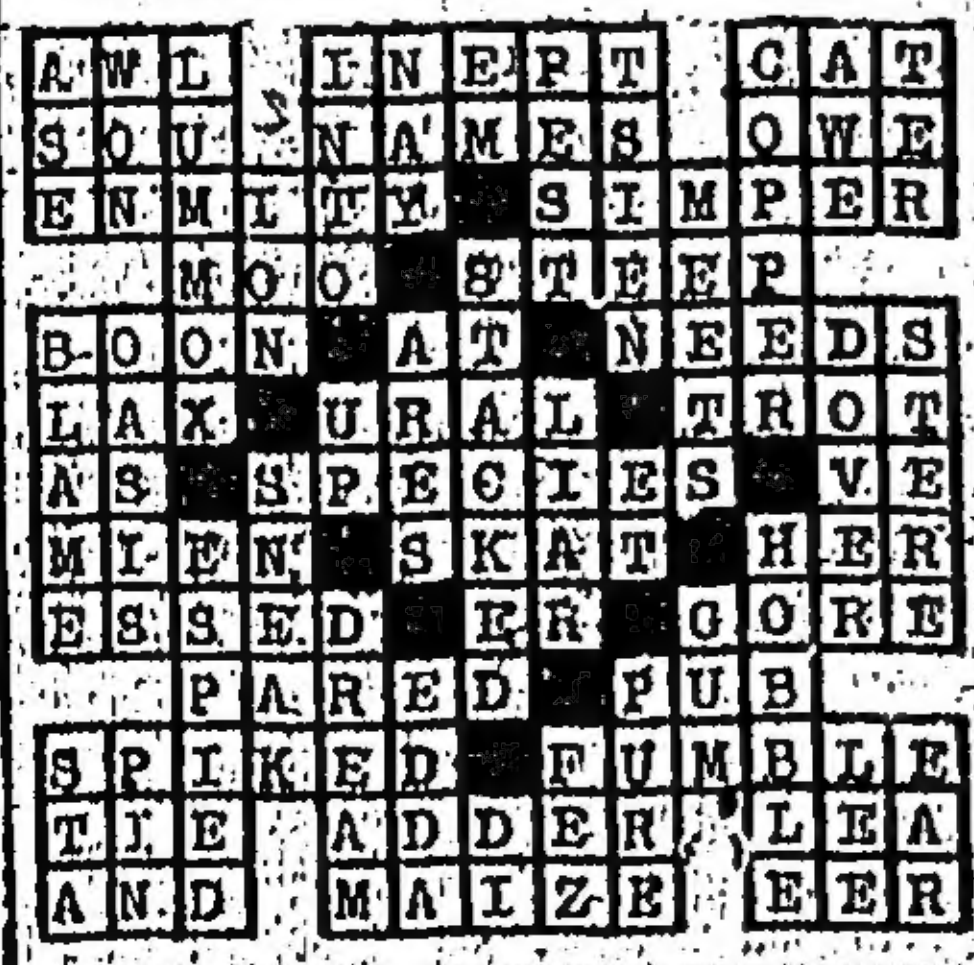
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- 4 Perfect
- 9 Bed
- 12 To cool
- 13 To wash
- 14 Literary scraps
- 15 Is of the opinion that
- 17 To occur
- 19 Snake
- 21 Negative
- 22 To cease
- 25 Malay gibbon
- 27 To grate
- 31 Frolic
- 32 Steath
- 34 Teutonic deity
- 35 Ocean
- 36 Deer
- 37 Man's nickname
- 38 Act of rising
- 41 Beverage
- 42 Terror
- 43 Addition to a building
- 44 Destiny
- 45 French conjunction
- 47 Military cap
- 49 Tenant
- 53 Bigoted

## VERTICAL

- 1 Newt
- 2 College cheer
- 3 Tropical bird
- 4 Irritates
- 5 To incur the disapproval of
- 6 Printer's measure
- 7 Timber tree
- 8 To slant
- 9 Top
- 10 Unit
- 11 Brown

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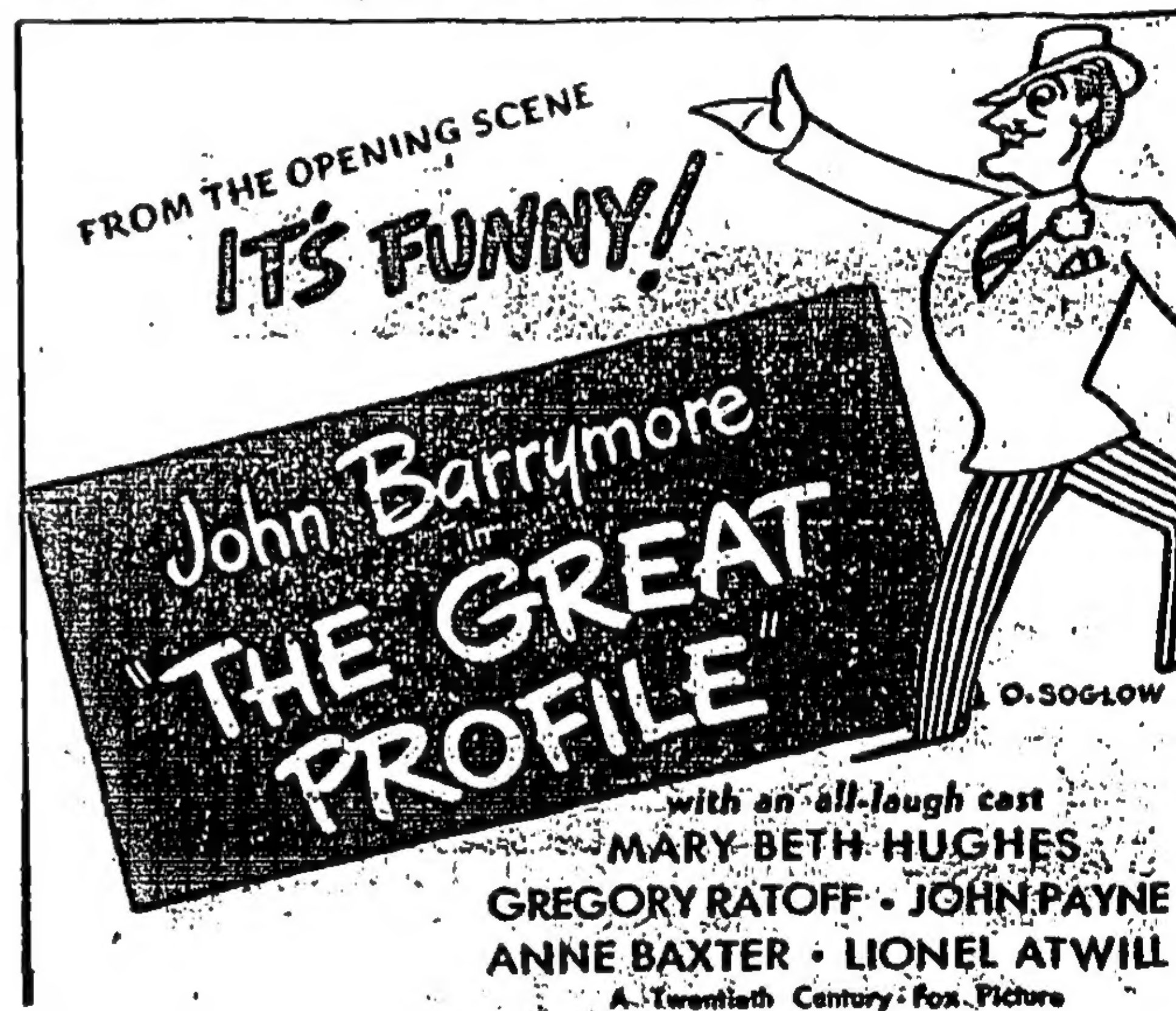
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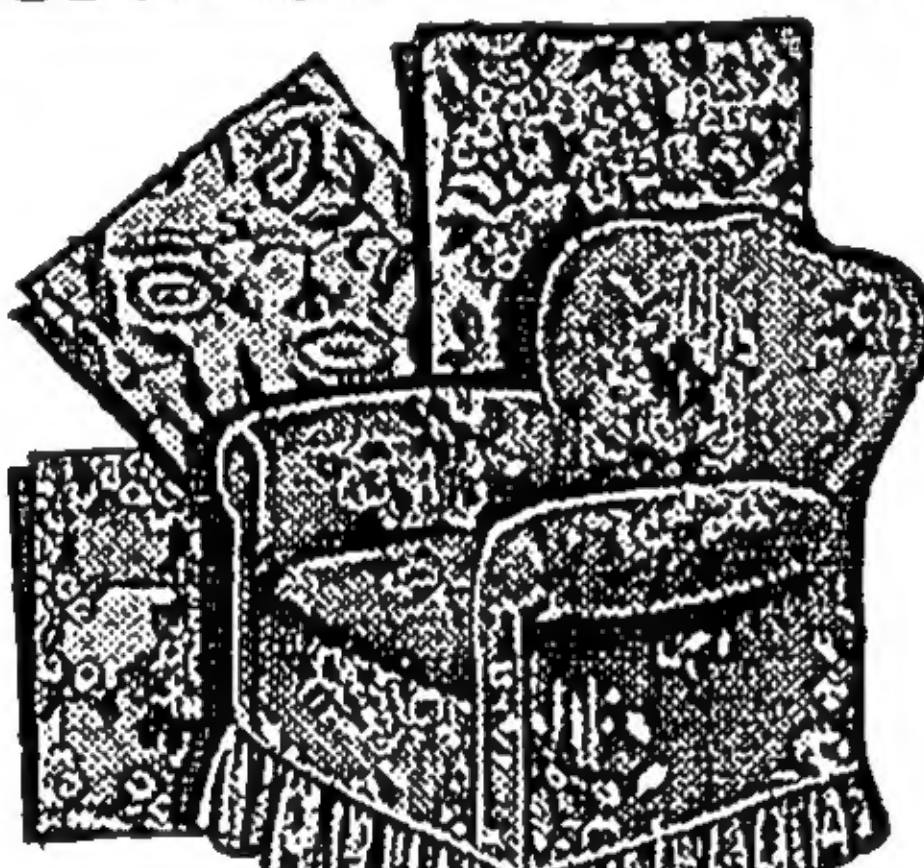
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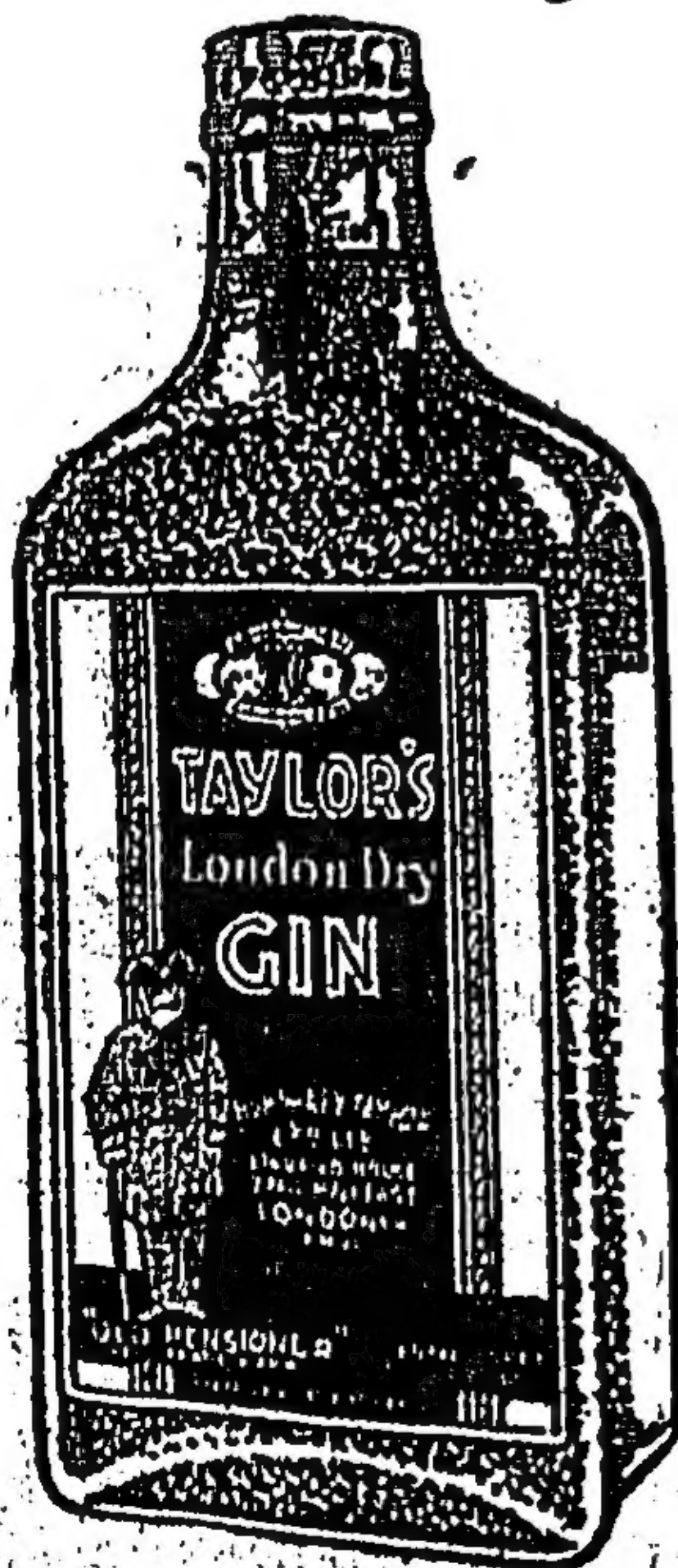
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# ARMS OUTPUT OFFERS CHEER IN U.S.A.

TUESDAY, JULY 1, was a red-letter day, militarily and financially, in the United States, for it was the beginning of the government's fiscal year. The government opens a new set of books every July 1, and in the coming year it will be using more red ink than ever to build up the greatest American fighting machine in history.

Figures don't tell the whole story, but it is interesting to know that the government already has signed on the dotted line for \$19,000,000,000 in war-material contracts; that Congress has made available \$44,000,000,000 in appropriations and authorizations, and that spokesmen of the Office of Production Management estimate that the entire defence programme may cost in excess of \$100,000,000,000.

Taxpayers whose income assessments will be doubled or trebled to underwrite part of the astronomical expenditures may well ask: What are we getting in 'planes and tanks, ships and machine tools and ordinance to show for the billions we are spending? They may take some satisfaction from an encouraging picture of defence production, as prepared for the July-August issue of "Army Ordnance," a semi-official publication sponsored by the Army Ordnance Association, which has access to all the military secrets fit to print.

The defence picture, as gathered from this and other sources, appears to be as follows: TANKS — Light (thirteen-ton) tanks are being produced at the rate of 150 a month. Medium (twenty-six-ton) tanks were re-designed to take advantage of the experience of the British and French armies in the Battle of Flanders. Production was delayed purposely to give machine tool priority to more critical military weapons. Quantity production of medium tanks is expected by late summer. The Army has six times as many light tanks on hand as it had a year ago.

## 1,500 'Planes Monthly

AIRCRAFT — Production of military aeroplanes is running at the rate of 1,500 a month which is nearly twice that of a year ago. This rate will be stepped up still further in the coming twelve months. Production during the year now ending was just short of 12,000.

Monthly production of major aeroplanes, exclusive of civilian light aircraft, from July, 1940 on, was as follows: July, 547; August, 586; September, 670; October, 742; November, 779; December, 900; January, 1,036; February, 972; March, 1,216; April, 1,427; May and June, (estimated) nearly 1,500 each. From this it will be seen that there has been a steady rise in production month after month except for last February, a short month, when there was a temporary drop due to a change-over of models, a shortage of materials and a number of strikes. The production increases for the last few months would be even larger were it not for the fact that the industry now is turning out more big bombers instead of smaller fighters, which are easier to build. In April, the last month for which official statistics are available, the actual production of strictly military 'planes was 1,376, or more than three times what it was in June, 1940.

Obviously, the aircraft industry has come a long way since March, 1940, when the monthly output was only 287. Within two years, by next March, the production rate may have been multiplied ten times. The present rate of 1,500 'planes a month would indicate 18,000 in the coming year except that the rate is being expanded month by month, and a total of 30,000 in the approaching fiscal year does not seem impossible.

## Warships Production

WARSHIPS:	The following	On hand	On order	On order
		Jan. 1, 1941	May 1, 1941	May 1, 1941
Combatant Ships	1040	15	17	17
Battleships	15	15	17	17
Aircraft Carriers	5	6	12	12
Cruisers	34	37	34	34
Destroyers	218	163	199	199
Submarines	87	109	70	70
Totals	359	332	309	309

\* Includes U.S. North Carolina and U.S.S. Washington, 33,000-ton dreadnaughts, which have been launched but have not yet joined the fleet.

These tables reflect the transfer of fifty destroyers to Great Britain in exchange for naval and air base site privileges. The number of combatant ships also was reduced by the reclassification of thirty destroyers as special-purpose vessels.

## SISTERS' SLANDER SUIT

Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, of Cork Street, W., brought an action for slander in the High Court against her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Knowles, of Syngate, Petham, Kent.

Mrs. Knowles was also sued for slander by Maj. John Henry Barcroft, of Cork Street, W., who complained that she had described him as a crook and had falsely alleged he had been "kicked out of the Army."

Mrs. Knowles denied having spoken the words of which the plaintiffs complained.

Mr. E. Ryder Richardson, for the plaintiffs, said Mrs. Knowles was the second wife of Mr. Robert Millington Knowles, brother of Mrs. Wilson.

For many years there had been a family concern, Gordon Chambers Ltd., which ran blocks of flats in the West End. All the members of the Knowles family had money in it, and Maj. Barcroft was a director.

Shortly before the present war Maj. Barcroft was told that Mrs. Knowles was accusing him of running a block of flats secretly in opposition to Gordon Chambers Ltd.

## List Of Allegations

Then, following a conversation with Maj. Barcroft Flying Officer Robert Bernard Knowles wrote out a statement of allegations which his step-mother, Mrs. Knowles, had made about the plaintiffs.

It stated that Mrs. Knowles had said to him that Maj. Barcroft forged his father's signature to a document, or procured his signature to it when his father was not in a fit condition to understand what he was doing.

"Barcroft and your aunt are illegally running an opposition block of flats," the statement continued, "and taking tenants away from Gordon Chambers company. Your aunt is a woman of revolting habits. She is worse than the prostitutes that infest the district." Cross-examined, Flying Officer Knowles said he did not know whether Maj. Barcroft and Mrs. Wilson had been living together as man and wife for some 15 years. They had separate flats, and when he stayed with him he occupied another flat.

The hearing was adjourned.

## JANE'S AIRCRAFT

Mr. C. G. Grey, former editor of Jane's All the World's Aircraft, stated recently that he was taking immediate action in the courts to vindicate his position following the announcement that the editor of the publication is now Mr. Leonard Bridgman.

Mr. Grey stated that he was part proprietor of Jane's All the World's Aircraft, and had been editor for 25 years.

## NAZI COAST SHIPS HARRIED

The British are continuing their efforts to take toll of enemy shipping, for the Air Ministry announced recently that widespread attacks were made on vessels off the coasts of Norway, Belgium and France.

Poor visibility robbed the pilots of a chance to determine what measure of success they attained—they were able to report, however, meeting with intense anti-aircraft fire as well as being hounded by German fighter patrols. One of these encounters provided the day's most exciting item from the air front.

"I saw a bomber accompanying us going for the ships so I decided to try to draw away enemy fighters in order to give him a clear run, being quite confident that we could take on the Messerschmitts," the captain of a British 'plane related. "One of them closed to within 150 yards of the starboard quarter. Firing cannon and machine-guns. My rear gunner had his microphone switched on and I could hear his fire in reply and also the bullets hitting our machine especially that one which came with a wicked crack a few feet behind me.

"The enemy then broke away and the fellow on the port side was at us. He, too, left us at 500 yards. We could see that both craft had been hit. The fighters dived right across our bow and there followed the remarkable sight of a bomber chasing a fighter. We went like a bat out of hell.

"With full throttles, we went down, our front guns blazing the whole time. Now we saw a third Messerschmitt coming at us almost vertically in a screaming dive. It looked as if he meant to ram us but my rear gunner diverted him with well-aimed bursts."

Altogether between them these two British bombers drove off six enemy fighters, destroying one for certain and possibly several which were seen to be damaged.

## JAPANESE DENY CHUNGKING CLAIMS

Not one Japanese warship had been sunk by mines, aerial bombing or artillery bombardment since the Sino-Japanese hostilities began, said Comdr. Hazama, navy spokesman, at a recent press conference in Shanghai, in denying the Chungking claim that 81 Japanese warships had been sunk recently by mines. He said that only a few transports and merchant ships had been sunk, only one this year and only about five or six before that.



# CHINA MAIL

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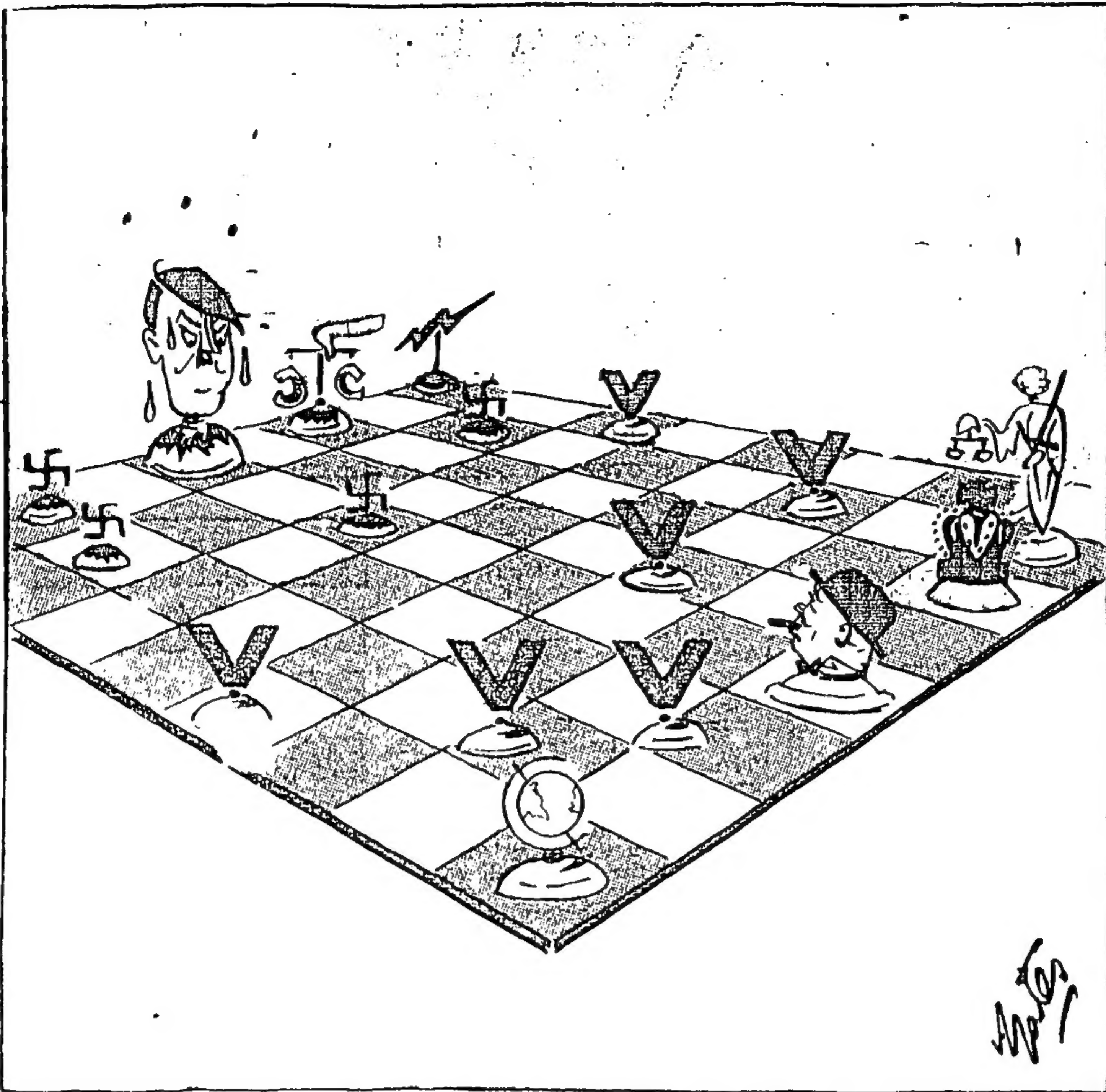
## JAPAN'S PROBLEM

Events in Russia plainly raise difficult problems in strategy and diplomacy for Japan. As never before since this war began, Hitler's power and prestige is at issue, and already there is a strong and growing body of opinion which, if it is not prepared to agree that Hitler lost the war the day he ordered the blitzkrieg against Moscow, feels that failure to break through in ten or fourteen days spell the doom of the whole enterprise, no matter what victories he may now snatch. It follows then that continued active partnership with an ally whose future power is deeply jeopardised must be a matter for anxious study by the new Cabinet, though nothing in Ministerial statements since announcement of the new personnel has justified the conclusion that any substantial withdrawal from earlier policy is at present contemplated. On the contrary, it has been the purpose of the Kono Cabinet to give the impression that nothing has changed but the driving force, and that the tempo of action is to be speeded up.

For the moment, no safe prediction can be made as to what that might mean interpreted into terms of Far East strategy. For many months Japan has been poised to strike in the southward direction, attracted by the promise of rich spoil in the raw materials which could be obtained in the Dutch East Indies and Malaya, restrained by consideration of the risks of a war with Great Britain, possibly also the United States.

Japan's imperialists, both in and out of uniform, paint an alluring picture of a Japanese Empire, enlarged, rounded out and made impregnable by the acquisition of the Dutch East Indies, with their riches in rubber, tin, many tropical products and that commodity which is more precious than gold in a world of force: oil. Malaya also contains tin mines and rubber plantations, along with iron. And the Philippines, which could scarcely remain outside the Japanese orbit if Malaya and the East Indies should fall, contain large reserves of iron and manganese, together with their sugar and coconut plantations.

Japanese moderates, and a few of these moderates are in the Army and Navy, stress the danger



A NEW PIECE ON THE BOARD

## The First Americans & Their Policy

ALTHOUGH there are some who think it far-fetched and meddlesome for the United States government to take an interest in the fate of the French, Spanish and Portuguese empires, they would not think so if they had studied American history. For the line of policy announced by the President on May 28, and now being followed by Secretary Hull in his negotiations, was in fact inaugurated under President John Adams and while Washington was still alive. In 1798 during the wars of revolutionary imperialism the question arose which has now, with Hitler's Germany in place of Napoleonic France, arisen again: it was learned that conquering France was about to gain control of the weakly held Spanish empire which then included the Louisiana territory, Florida, Central and South America.

The news was communicated on February 15, 1798, by Lord Grenville to Rufus King, the United States Minister in London, saying as King reported, it, that "if Spain should be able to preserve her independence and prevent a revolution in her government," Great Britain would let the Spanish empire alone; "but if it was really to be apprehended Spain should fall beneath the control of France," then the British government "would endeavour to prevent France from gaining to their cause the resources of South America" and would "immediately open their views and commence a negotiation upon the subject with the United States."

There was some doubt then, as there is now about Vichy, as to

even from a military standpoint, of cutting off all sources of supply except those in regions which are under Japanese military control. They point out that an attack on Singapore, or on any of the British, Dutch and American strongholds in the South Pacific bristles with difficulties.

And they are the type of difficulty that will not be modified in Japan's favour if, as seems more and more likely, Hitler becomes as effectively bogged down in Russia as Japan is in China.

whether Spain had really surrendered and was collaborating with the revolutionary conqueror. But by September of the same year the British were telling Rufus King that there "could be no doubt that France had obtained a cession" of the Louisiana territory and King was saying in London that we should "be unwilling that Louisiana should pass into the hands of new proprietors."

Shortly after this, by a secret treaty signed October 1, 1800, Spain did cede Louisiana to Napoleon, though for more than a year this was stoutly denied by the Spanish and the French. The United States continued to negotiate with Great Britain and the position taken about the Spanish possessions was identical

By Walter Lippmann

with that which Americans have now taken in regard to the French, Spanish and Portuguese possessions in the Western Hemisphere or confronting it, and in regard to the control of the seas.

The policy was formulated by President Jefferson in his instruction of April 18, 1802, to Livingston, the United States Minister in Paris: "The cession of Louisiana and the Floridas by Spain to France works most sorely on the United States." New Orleans, he pointed out, is one of the gateways to our territory: "France, placing herself in that door, assumes to us the attitude of defiance. Spain might have retained it quietly for years. . . . These circumstances render it impossible that France and the United States can continue long friends when they meet in so irritable a position. . . . The day that France takes possession of New Orleans fixes the sentence which is to retain her forever within her low-water mark. It seals the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean. From that moment we must marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation. . . . This is not a state of things we seek or desire. It is one which this measure, if adopted by France, forces on us as necessarily as any other cause, by the laws of nature, brings on its necessary effects."

Thus it is a fact, which no student of American history can

successfully dispute, that the foreign policy of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, and Monroe was not one bit more isolationist or non-interventionist than the policy of Roosevelt, Willkie and Hull. The two policies are the same policy—the historic American policy since the foundation of the Republic. It is that the territories affecting our vital interests must not pass from the control of friendly and pacific nations into the control of aggressive and expanding empires, and that to prevent this happening we are prepared "to marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation" because this means "the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean."

There has been no change whatever in the principles of American foreign policy. If in 1802 we could not allow revolutionary France to control the mouth of the Mississippi, if in 1823 we could not allow Russia to control the western coast of Canada or the European quadruple alliance to reconquer Central and South America, then how can it be argued by Col. Lindbergh that in 1941 we are more aggressive than Hitler because we say that Hitler shall not control the islands of the Atlantic and the west coast of Africa? The distance in time from Washington to New Orleans in 1801, or from Chicago to South America in 1823, was very much greater than the distance to-day from the Azores or the Cape Verde Islands or Casablanca or Dakar to any part of the American continent. I have myself talked recently with a Canadian newspaper man who had dinner in Montreal and breakfast in England, having crossed the Atlantic in a bomber. Yet we are asked to believe that Jefferson, who was aroused about French control of New Orleans, and Monroe and Jefferson, who were aroused about the control of far-off South America, would to-day be unconcerned at the prospect of having Hitler established half way across the Atlantic.

The truth is that those who appeal to the fathers of the Republic in support of the Lindbergh propaganda are misrepresenting totally the principles and the actions of the fathers of the Republic. The first American statesmen were not pacifists. They were not isolationists. They were not neutrals. They had not been afraid to fight against England but neither were they in the slightest afraid to say that they would, if American interests were threatened, fight along with England.

Thus it may be said, quite literally and seriously, that though the present foreign policy of the United States government is not in accord with the views of the America First Committee, it is strictly in accord with the principles and the practice of the first American.

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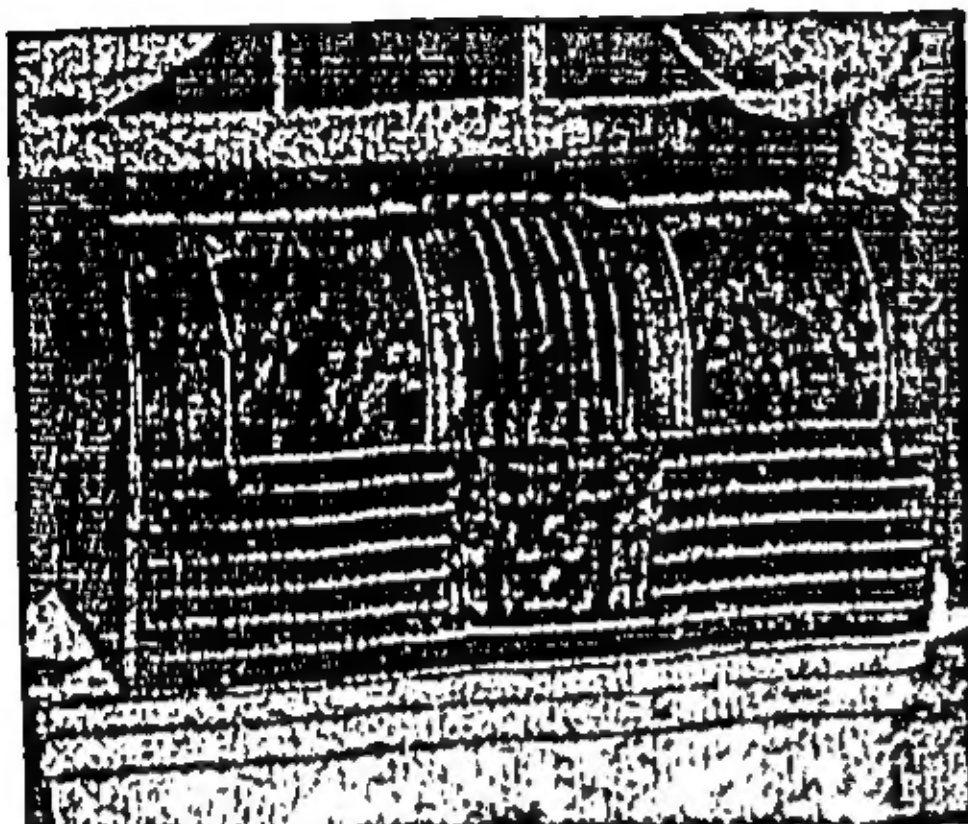
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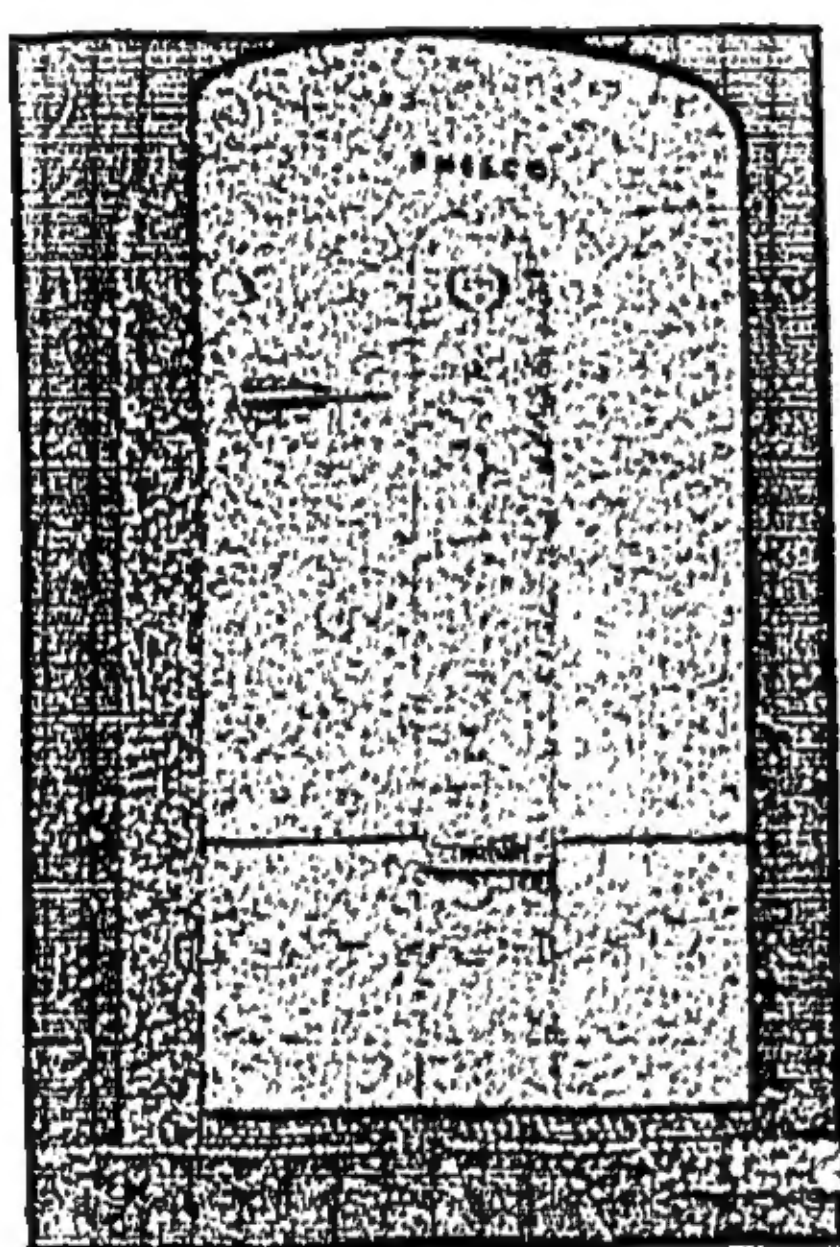
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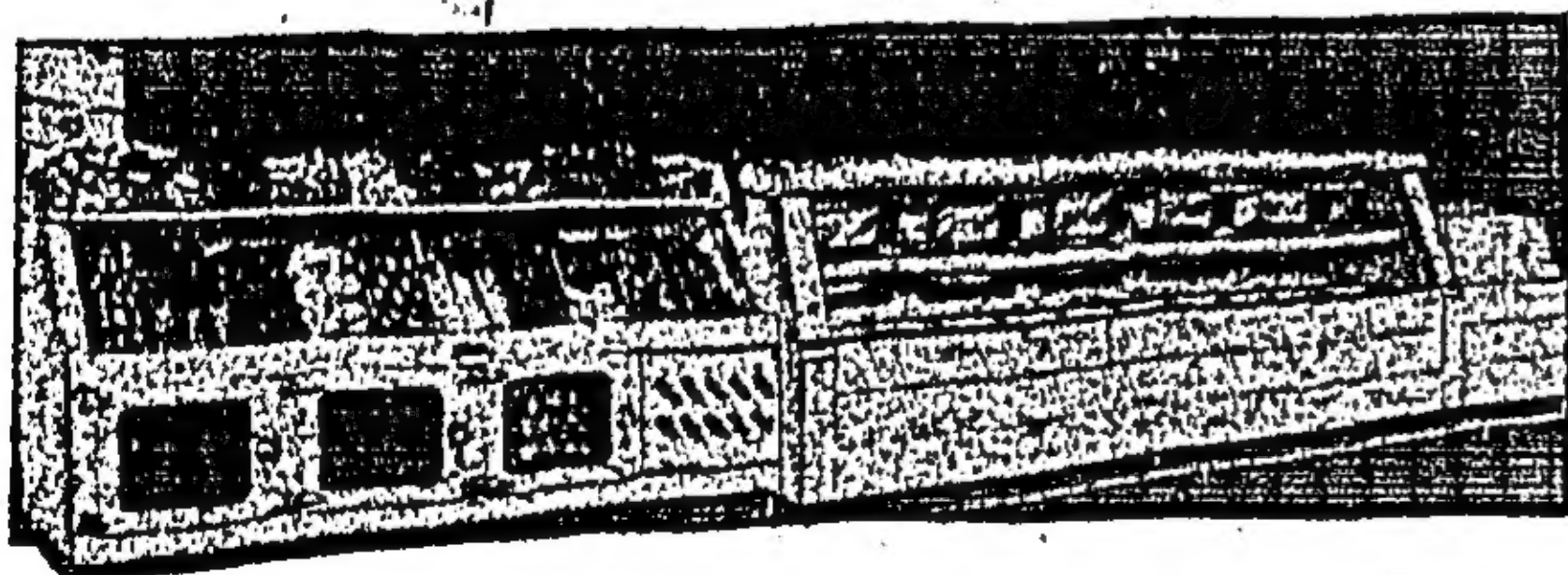
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# WORLD'S BIGGEST BOMBER TESTED

THE WORLD'S largest bombing 'plane, the Army's four-motored Douglas B19, made its first test flight, a fifty-six-minute cruise from Santa Monica over the ocean to the air field, a distance of seventy-five miles.

At the controls was Major Stanley M. Umstead, the Army's leading test pilot, with Major Howard G. Bunker of Wright Field, Ohio, as his co-pilot, and three officials of the Douglas company and an Army observer as passengers.

When Major Umstead set the big ship's retractable landing wheels down on the concrete runway here he pronounced the 'plane's performance satisfactory. Further exhaustive test would be made, it was announced. An official statement from the office of the chief of the Army Air Corps said that the 'plane will be used as "a laboratory for the production of both bigger and better aeroplanes in the future."

The giant ship, which was under construction for four years at the Douglas Santa Monica factory, will weigh eighty-two tons when fully loaded. The first take-off came after three postponements. Once the bomber's wheels broke through the asphalt surface of the runway at March Field, plant, and a new ribbon of concrete was laid down.

The four 2,200 horsepower Wright air-cooled motors were warmed up briefly as the 'plane stood on the new runway. Then Major Umstead drove the ship into a brisk head wind, speeded up to 100 miles an hour and lifted the bomber into the air after a run of 2,000 feet.

The first test was made only to determine the stability of the 'plane and its response to the controls, and, with this in view, Major Umstead circled the field several times before heading out to sea. Among the spectators were many of the men who worked in the 'plane's construction. They cheered wildly as it passed overhead.

The flight carried the bomber over Long Beach and Los Angeles. It passed through several heavy banks of clouds. When the pilots radioed their readiness to land here all other Army ships were called out of the air. Major Umstead brought the big 'plane to a smooth landing.

The B-19 was flown at speeds up to 150 miles an hour, Army officials said, but its regular cruising speed is 186 miles an hour and its top speed 210 miles an hour. No bomb load was carried in the test, and only sufficient gasoline for the brief performance. The weight of the 'plane was thus about 85,000 pounds.

### Cost Was \$3,500,000

The ship, having a wing spread of 212 feet, cost \$3,500,000 to build and was developed, according to Army officials, from the old B-9 and B-10 types. It is 132 feet long and stands forty-two feet high at the rudder-tip.

With a full load of twenty-eight tons of bombs, the 'plane will have a range of 7,000 miles. In service, it would carry a crew of ten men.

More than 4,500 persons, mostly officers and men of the Army, watched the 'plane as it came in to its landing, with two small observation 'planes, from which officials had checked on its performance, circling overhead.

The landing, Major Umstead said, indicated to him that the 'plane, despite its enormous size, could make use of any first class field. He added that the 'plane "wobbled" slightly during the take off, but he blamed that on his own "over-controlling."

Besides the pilot and co-pilot, there were aboard Lieut. Col. James G. Taylor and, for the Douglas company, Jack Grant, flight engineer, Merle Steel, hydraulic engineer, and Raoul Eschallier, electrical engineer. In the pilot's compartment also was Mark Koogler, civilian employee from Wright Field, who acted as crew chief.

Although the B-19 is officially designated as a bomber, Air Corps officials said that it would serve also as "an experimental flying laboratory" to provide lessons to apply equally to civilian transport and to future long-range bombers.

## REPAIRING LONDON RAID DAMAGE

Twelve thousand men who answered the appeal of the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Works and Buildings to repair raid-damaged houses are now at work in the London area mending roofs, cracked walls and broken windows.

Since London had two "blitzes" in a week great strides have been made in first-air repairs, and many families who were given temporary accommodation in billets are now back in patched-up homes.

Three schemes are being operated in London and the provinces to speed up the work.

The mutual aid scheme by which one local authority goes to the assistance of another is working satisfactorily; and mobile repair squads, numbering 5,000 men, organised by the Ministry of Works and Buildings are moving from district to district to give further help.

Local authorities who have planned to build satellite towns of cheaply-produced bungalows and houses for "blitzed" families will have difficulty in securing Government sanction.

"We can manage with existing accommodation," a Ministry of Health official explained recently.

## AERODROME SITE DIFFICULTY

Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Edward Ellington stated recently that it was becoming increasingly difficult to find aerodrome sites in "this small island."

Sir Edward, who was speaking at the opening of an exhibition of R.A.F. war photographs at Manchester, said that the most difficult job of the R.A.F. was to provide numbers of personnel.

As to the Nazi night raider, he said: "If the proportion of German bombers destroyed over this country continues to increase, I see no reason why, with the assistance of the counter-attack of our own bombers, we should not in course of time bring the menace of the night bomber as much to an end as the fighting of last year brought to an end the day bomber."

## JOBS FOR WOMEN OBJECTORS

Conscientious objectors among the women, who have registered will be treated reasonably, a Ministry of Labour official stated the other day.

"We do not expect to find many among those who have registered up to date, but they were not asked their opinions, when they registered," he added.

"They will have a chance to express any convictions of that nature at their interviews. If for reasons of principle they object to armament work, they will be put into the Land Army—for they can have no objection to people—or given a nursing job which will release others for essential work."

## NAZI BLOCKADE OF SPAIN

(BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Germany is now putting economic pressure on Spain in an attempt to force her consent to a policy of full cooperation.

The latest move is a refusal to grant a permit for the transport through unoccupied France of an important commercial consignment from a Central European country.

This consignment has already been bought and paid for by the Spanish Government. I am unable to disclose its precise nature, but its delivery is vital to the economic life of Spain.

Though I have direct knowledge only of this one consignment, there can be little doubt that other Continental imports to Spain are also falling under the German ban or will do so unless the Spanish Government yields.

### Suner's Approval

Significant of the urgency of Hitler's present demands is that this is the first time he has used the blockade as a weapon.

Hitherto the economic argument by which he has attempted to persuade Spain has been merely the assertion that Germany is able to supply the country with enough food to compensate for what would be lost by breaking with Britain. This argument, however, has not carried much weight.

The present method of economic pressure has certainly been applied by the Germans with the full knowledge, possibly even at the instigation, of Senor Suner, the pro-Nazi Spanish Foreign Minister. His German leanings are so strong that he has been consistently opposed to the acceptance of Anglo-American supplies.

### Franco Resists

I now learn that at a Cabinet meeting, when the latest British credit was discussed, Senor Suner, in face of all his colleagues, declared his opposition on the ground that it would compromise Spanish foreign policy, which is his own policy of the fullest cooperation with Germany.

He might have carried the day had not Senor Carrceller, Minister of Commerce, threatened to resign if the Government refused British help, without which the country would starve.

Gen. Franco, who is determined at all costs to preserve outward unity of government, thereupon overruled Suner.

While the serious nature of the latest German pressure on Spain is undeniable, it shows that the Nazi demands are so far still being resisted by Gen. Franco, his War Minister, Gen. Varela, and other members of the Government, who believe that military cooperation with the Axis would be disastrous.

Taken in conjunction with the Cabinet clash over the British loan, it indicates that Suner's ascendancy is not yet complete.

## M.P.'S WIFE LOST HER TEMPER IN STREET

Accusations against Lady Lucas, 50, of Wellington-court, Kensington, were withdrawn at Bow Street the other day.

Her husband, Sir Jocelyn Lucas, M.P., has been seriously injured in a London raid.

She had been on bail of £5, accused of obstructing a policeman and a footway.

When she saw a soldier she did not know was drunk being arrested she thought he was being treated with indignity, lost her temper and began shouting. It was stated.



# AN OPEN LETTER TO DR. GOEBBELS FROM A U.S. JOURNALIST

DEAR DOCTOR:—I could write to you directly, but I know that this will reach you more quickly than a letter would, writes Quentin Reynolds in the "Daily Express."

I was in Lisbon a few months ago, and the man who ran the news-stand in my hotel said that one of your employees came to him each morning and bought four copies of the "Daily Express." Once in a confidential mood your man said that he had orders to airmail these copies to you daily.

I hope you don't mind me writing to you, Doc, ol' boy. After all, I knew you back in 1934 when I was working in your town. Remember those hierabende at the Kaiserhof? Some fun, hey, kid? I thought you'd like to hear the news from America and from England. I have just returned from America. You know, Doc, that the reports you get from your agents are pretty inaccurate. To earn their money they have to send nice glowing accounts of what is going on.

I know some of them in America, and believe me, Doc, they are falling down on the job. We have a man named John Edgar Hoover, who is in charge of our G-men. John was telling me about some of your agents and how they operated.

I asked Hoover why he didn't arrest them and toss them in the chink. Hoover laughed and said they weren't important enough to arrest, and besides, he added, they weren't doing any harm.

## America Not So Neutral

Now let me tell you about America. I went back for a holiday thinking that I was returning to a neutral country. Doc, you could've knocked me over with a veneer schmitzel. Time-square is just about as neutral as Trafalgar-square.

You can't go into a night club without hearing some one sing a song called "There'll Always Be an England."

Then there is another song which Irving Berlin wrote. It has swept the country. It is called "When That Man is Dead and Gone." Now you know, Doc, he didn't mean Mickey Rooney.

I think you must be losing your grip, Doc. Your propaganda in America is very bad. Take the city of Boston. It is the largest Irish city in the world. Now, your men in America have spent a lot of time here trying to get the Irish-Americans excited. Have they succeeded? Listen to this, Doc.

I made a speech in Boston on St. Patrick's Day. There were 3,500 people there in Symphony Hall. When I finished do you know what they did? The whole mob got up and sang "God Save the King." Doc, this may not be pleasant news, but you want the truth, don't you? And you know I'm your pal. I wouldn't lie to you, Doc.

If you see Hermann, pass this news along to him. A man named Larry Bell in Buffalo is producing an aeroplane that will make Hermann's Messerschmitts look like trucks.

I watched it being tested. It is called the Airacobra and it is the fastest thing on wheels. It will go 400 miles an hour and, Doc, do you know what it has in its nose? It has the cutest 37-millimetre cannon that fires a one-pound shell. Doc, there's no plane like it in the world. And they're on their way over here to England now. You'll be hearing from them very soon.

## "London Can Take It"

But I'm sure you'd rather hear about London than about America. I'd like to tell you about the changes I notice here after a three months' absence. I only notice one real, important change, and you'd better pass this on to Mr. H. Last autumn when Hermann's cute kids used to come over and drop bombs on London the people took their beating philosophically enough. A bunch of lads calling themselves the Crown Film Unit made a film called "London Can Take It."

London was taking it all right then. Now, Doc, this will please you: London isn't taking it any more. Hermann's cute kids gave us a pasting last Saturday night. Let's face it, Doc.

It was a terrific pasting, and old London caught hell.

On Sunday people didn't laugh about that raid. No, sir, the streets of London on Sunday were crowded with grim, sullen-faced people. The people of London are tired of taking it. They want to give it.

I hate to say this about my neighbours, but Doc, every one of them is now demanding revenge. Every time a bomb drops on London town now it carries germs with it; germs of hatred.

I think you and Mr. H. have a silly idea that Englishmen are gentlemen. That may have been true once, but Hermann's cute kids have changed the English. They are now a ruthless, savage people determined to crush your kind of civilisation. The gloves are off. Everything goes from now on. No punches are barred.

Well, that's all, Doc. Cheerio, and take care of yourself. Take very good care of yourself, Doctor. We'll be seeing you again. It may not be next month or next Autumn but sooner or later we'll be seeing you, Doctor.

And when we do see you we want you to be in very good health. We have ideas about you which can only be carried out if you are in good health. Goodbye, Doctor.

Respectfully,  
P.S. I'll say one thing for your nightly blitzes, Doctor. They do take our minds off the war.

## RANSOM FOR MAHARANEE

The Nazis are demanding a ransom of £2,000,000 in gold for the Maharanee of Kapurthala, who is in a concentration camp near Besancon, in occupied France, states the New York "Daily News" recently.

The newspaper adds that the Maharajah who "presumably escaped to England" is willing to pay this sum, but that the British Government is opposed to his doing so.

The Maharajah and the Maharanee were in Paris when France capitulated.

The Maharajah escaped, but the Maharanee, thinking she would be left unharmed, remained behind. She was arrested by the Gestapo.

## SPANISH DUKE'S FATE

Leave to presume the death on or since 1936, of Carlos Fernando Stuart Y. Falco, Duke of Penaranda, was granted to his brother, the Duke of Alba, Spanish Ambassador in London, by Mr. Justice Langton in the Probate Court recently.

It was stated that in the summer of 1936, the Duke of Penaranda was interned in the Model Prison at Madrid, which was then used for the internment of people sympathising with the National Movement. He was removed from the prison on or about November 3 of that year, and it

## HITLER DREAMS OF CONQUEST

(By Our Diplomatic Correspondent)

Plans on a gigantic scale are believed to have taken shape in Hitler's megalomaniac mind. Their aim is no less than to make him master of Europe and all Africa north of the Equator.

His insatiable ambition has driven him to conjure up still greater aspirations, whereby Asia, too, will be brought under the sway of German-directed Powers.

The first stage in the Hitler plan, so far as it can be deduced from reliable information, is for sweeping onslaughts in the Mediterranean and North Africa.

He plans a series of pincer movements falling into three separate, though closely related, thrusts.

Turkey to be dealt with by a large pincers operation.

The northerly menace would be represented by air and water-borne forces from Balkan bases and ports across the Black Sea. Probably the main thrust would be aimed at Batoum, just on the Russian side of the Russo-Turkish frontier and outflow of the pipeline carrying supplies from the Russian Transcaucasian oil-fields.

The southern thrust would be aimed at Syria, again by air and sea-borne forces.

To wrest control of the Suez Canal.

This project is closely linked with that just indicated and partly proceeds out of it. The German forces, once established in Syria, would strike south through Palestine to the Sinai Peninsula, aiming at Port Said and Suez.

The other part of this movement is that already striking at the Army of the Nile in the Western Desert of Egypt. It has a dual aim. Its more northerly columns are directed at Alexandria, Cairo and the Canal, while southerly columns, if they can be got across to North Africa would strike across the Syria to the Abyssinia border.

To establish control through French North Africa.

This operation would involve striking down from France into Spain and stimulating the Spanish forces of Morocco to cooperate. The pincers movement here would apparently also operate from Dakar, the most westerly point of the African continent.

By the combination of these three related thrusts Hitler conceives that the British Fleet and Forces can be driven from the Mediterranean.

Hitler's schemes are those of a maniac. But before the German force is spent in the limitless waste of the southern and eastern deserts the surge of battle may have swung over vast areas.

Behind him, striking at his very heart, will be the relentless hammer blows of the R.A.F. pounding Germany.

## MANY USE PUBLIC LIBRARY

In his report for June, the Librarian of the S.M.C. Public Library, states:—

A total of 16,533 books were lent during the month for home reading. Adult fiction issued was approximately 60 per cent. of the circulation. Books dealing with the sciences, the arts, history, biography, travel and classical literature showed increased use. Five hundred and eighty-nine Chinese books and 910 magazines were also lent.

The records showed that 6,641 persons were doing reading and reference work in the Library during the month. Additions of new books last month were 49 volumes.

The Library now has 1,403 subscribers of whom there are 344 Chinese, 718 foreign, 340 Chinese students and 65 foreign students.

It was believed that he was assassinated.

The Duke of Penaranda left estate of about £20,000 in Britain.

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## BRIDGE NOTES

### A Misunderstanding By The Four Aces

"Please rule on this dispute," requests a St. Louis reader. "We couldn't agree on the bidding of this hand:

South, Dealer		Neither side vulnerable	
NORTH		EAST	
♠ 6 5 2		♠ 10 9 4 3	
♥ 5		♥ 9 8 4 3 2	
♦ 9 8 4 3		♦ 5 2	
♣ Q J 10 6		♣ 7 3	
WEST		SOUTH	
♠ K Q J 7		♠ A 8	
♥ A Q 10 7		♥ K J 6	
♦ 7		♦ A K J 10 6	
♣ K 9 8 2		♣ A 6 4	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♦	1♠	4♦	Pass
6♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

"As you see, nothing terrible happened even though we got to a slam which we failed to make. We were set two tricks at six diamonds; but we belonged in either five diamonds or three no-trump -- neither of which could have been made. So we're not kicking about the result; it's just that we had no business to be up so high."

"South contends that North had no right to jump to four diamonds with only two Queens in his hand; and that if North had value for this bid, the Slam would have been makeable. North maintains that his jump bid was justified and that only slight values are needed to shut the opponents out."

"What's the verdict?"

We agree with North but give our sympathy to South. If North had a good hand he would either redouble or pass (with the intention of entering the bidding later on). North's jump bid was therefore clearly based on a hand weak in high cards but strong in distributional support for diamonds. South should have realised that a Slam was out of the question.

We give our sympathy to South, however, since he was unable to make even a game contract with his very strong hand opposite a partner who announced strong distributional support. He would have been justified, although unsuccessful, in bidding five diamonds, but not six diamonds.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 4  
♥ K J 4 3  
♦ 9 2  
♣ Q 7 3 2

The bidding:

Schenken	Mater	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Bid four hearts. Your partner's bidding shows a strong hand with excellent game prospects if you have anything but a very weak hand. Your strong support for both of partner's suits should give him a good play for a game.

Score 100% for four hearts, 30% for pass.

## Question No. 775

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 4  
♥ Q 7 5 3  
♦ K 8 3  
♣ Q 7 6 2

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	You	Mater
1♠	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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# BRITISH PANZER DIVISIONS IN INVASION TEST

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With its swarms of heavy tanks, armoured cars, artillery and mechanised infantry, this intensely powerful mobile force was flung into battle in the way that the Germans have used their panzer divisions on the Continent.

In a realistic battle, in which parachute troops, Home Guards and aeroplanes took part, the defenders tackled a powerful "enemy" force of tanks and armoured cars.

More than 10,000 vehicles of every kind, from tanks to reconnaissance cars, from Bren-gun carriers to lorries, were engaged in this mock war, which covered a wide area of country, and was the greatest military exercise of its kind ever held in Britain.

## 75,000 Troops Engaged

The men taking part in it, most of them highly skilled technicians or experts of a thousand different kinds, numbered fully 75,000.

When the two fleets of heavy tanks finally met the scene was one of awe-inspiring power.

A daring raid was made by parachute troops during the battle.

Raining down out of the darkening twilight sky, the "sticks" of parachutists—they call each aeroplane load of men a stick, just as if they were bombs—surprised and captured a defending headquarters.

They found maps showing the position of the advance headquarters, and set off to attack this in turn.

But here the Home Guards and police showed their efficiency. The parachutists were rounded up and put out of action.

## G.O.C.'s Tribute

High praise was given to the Home Guards by the G.O.C.-in-C., Eastern Command, Lt.-Gen. Sir Guy Williams, who said:

"In the area of the battle the Home Guard was out in full strength. It showed that it was capable of exercising considerable effect on enemy operations of an extensive nature. It was a most encouraging augury for its actual use in battle."

So realistic was the battle that "Fifth Columnists" were even used by the "enemy" forces to pick up information in the British area. Girls of the A.T.S. and the F.A.N.Y. were employed — with great success — for this work.

One of the leaders of the parachute troops was a tall New Zealand officer who always floats to the ground with a monocle screwed firmly in his eye.

Rather reluctantly — the parachutists are not a boastful lot — he told me these facts:

"All are volunteers with a very high standard of physical fitness. But they must be men of much resource and intelligence, too."

"They come from every walk of life—miners, grocers, car salesmen, racing motorists, youngsters of independent means. Quite a number are good linguists — and they are encouraged to learn German."



The mentally sketchy girlfriend recommended a dose of bicarbonate of soda when her beau said he was burning up with indignation.

## LIBRARY FOR CHILDREN ORGANISED

The Shanghai Children's Library, the first of its kind in Shanghai, last week opened its doors to the public at its headquarters at 13, Majestic Arcade, 1040 Bubbling Well Road. More than 10,000 books are listed.

The Shanghai Children's Library plans to institute 30 circulating branches for members living far away. Travelling units are also being planned for use in the various schools, parks and camps.

The library is now under the joint supervision of the Board of Directors, headed by Dr. T. T. Hu of the University of Shanghai. The Boy's Work Committee of the Shanghai Rotary Club are helping in the library work and have asked for donations in the way of books.

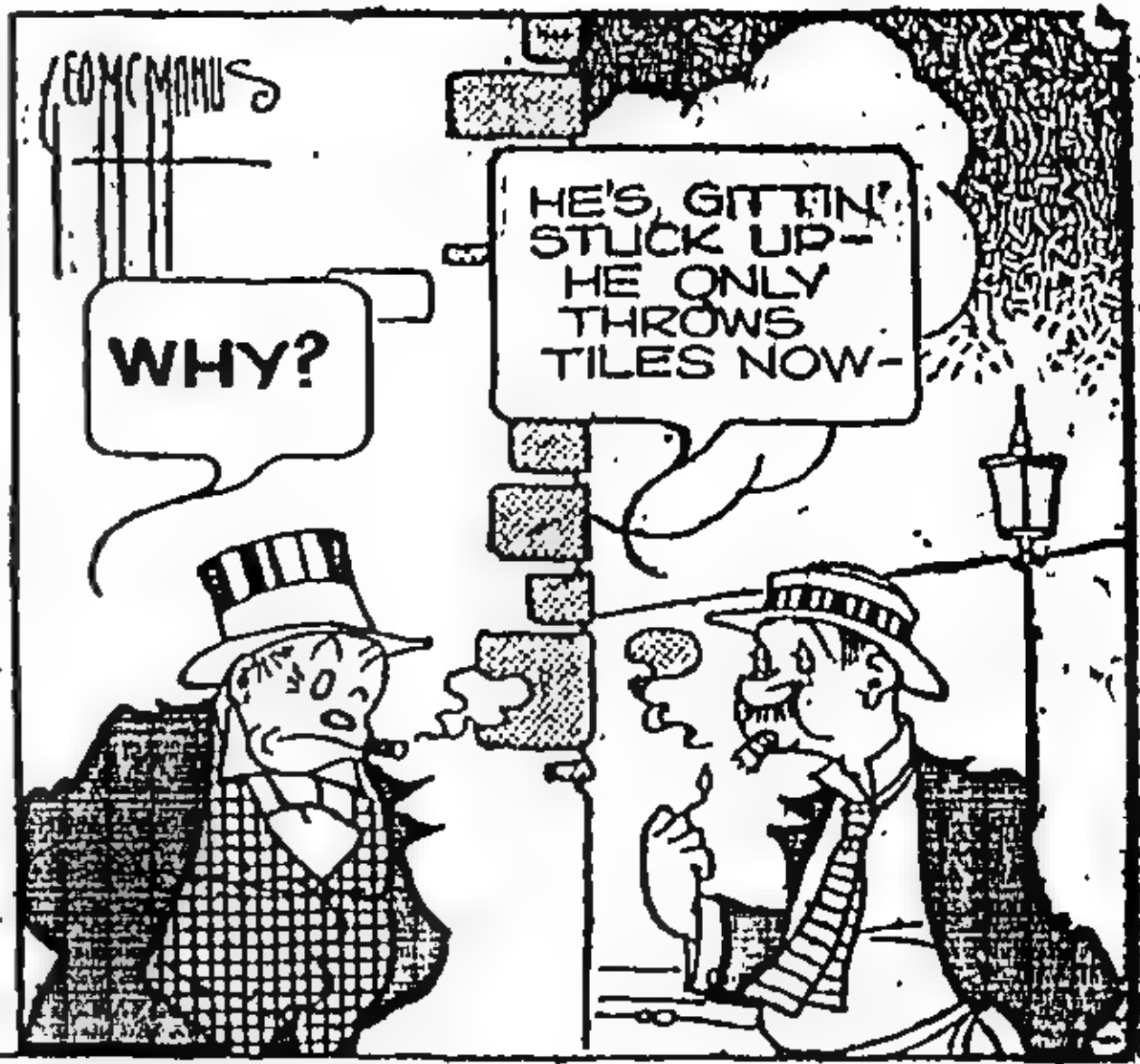
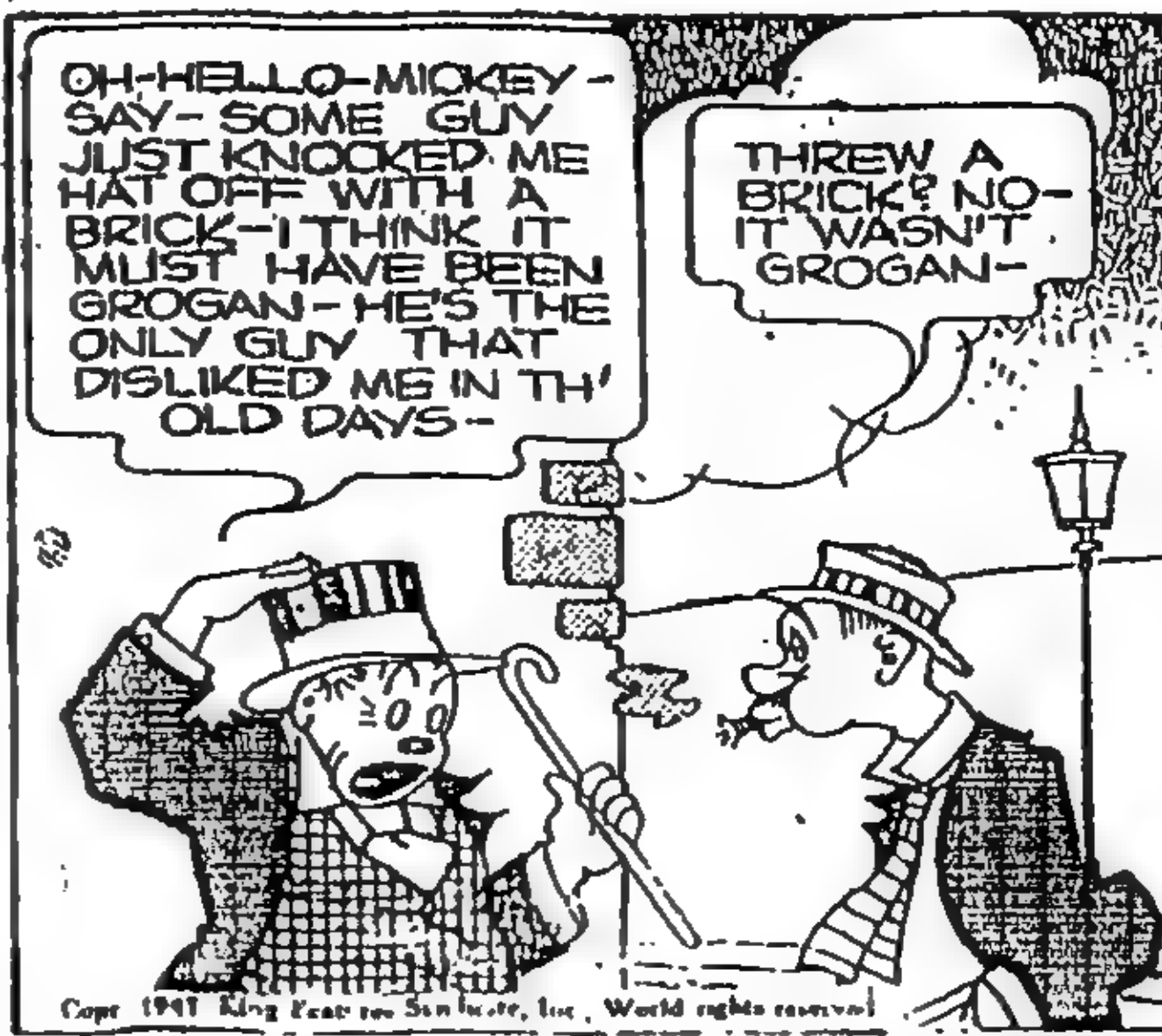
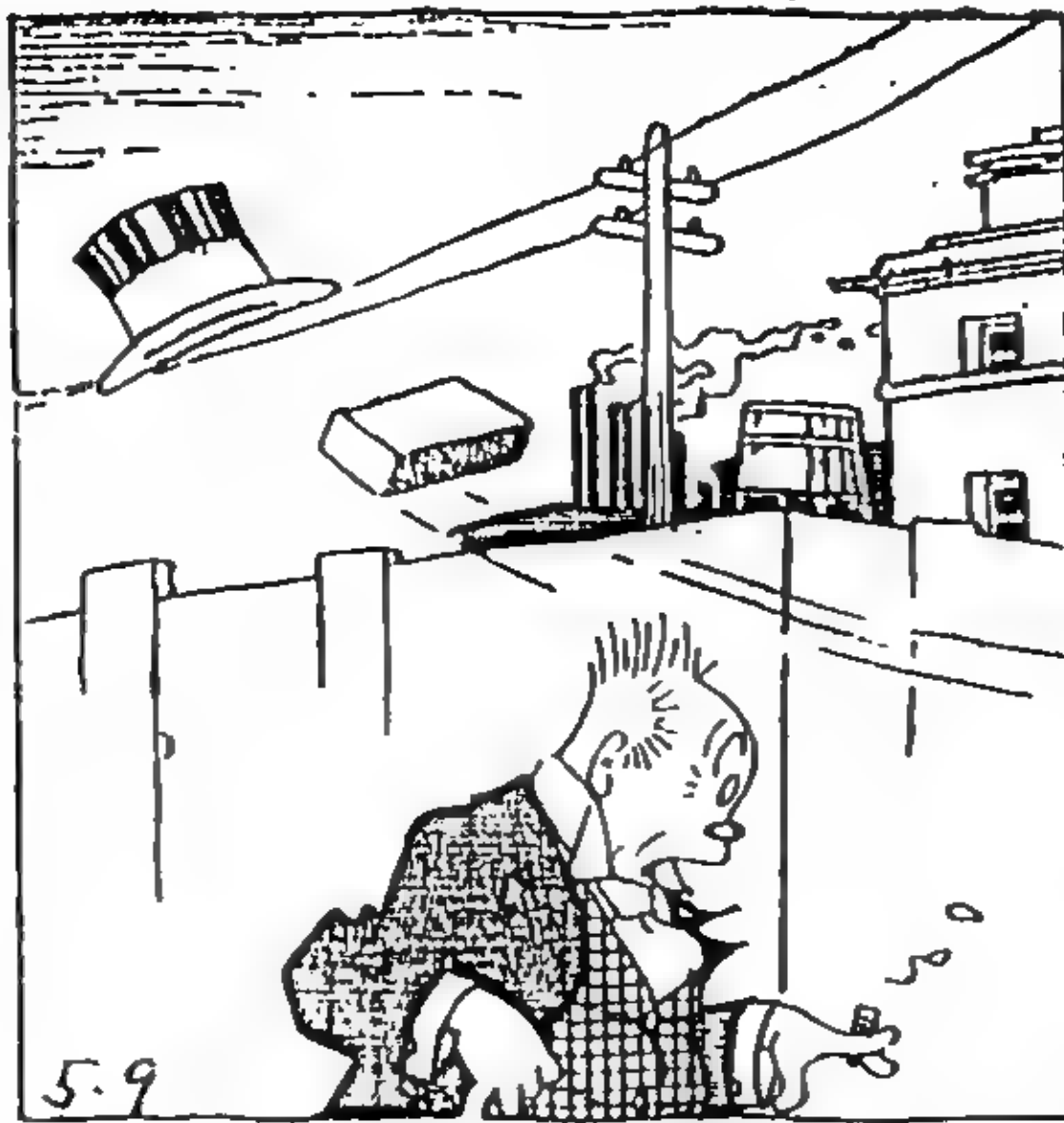
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## Bringing Up Father

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## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# There's No Catch In It

The word "soignes" frightens quite a lot of women. "No good my hoping to be that," they think. "That's too ambitious for me!"

Maybe it sounds so formidable and so expensive because it's French! But even if we say "well-groomed" instead, in perfectly faultless English, it scares plenty of you.

After all, it does suggest race-horses doesn't it, and we know how smart they are, what attention they have—and what a lot it costs.

Of course, it would help if you had unlimited wealth and leisure, a clever personal maid, a hair-dresser who came to your house whenever wanted, a tame beautician—all the stuff we like to see on the films. Or if you were on the films yourself, being "groomed for stardom."

Still, let's waste no time over wishful thinking. (Even if it could come true, what a wrench it would be; what a lot of friends, what a lot of fun, one could lose touch with.)

Instead, we'll be realists, and consider how best to deal with what we've actually got.

There are two qualities which can make a little go a long way in a woman's appearance.

One is style, which means carrying off what you've actually got with an air.

This is a gift, though to a certain extent it can be developed. It's a question of spirit.

The other is good grooming, which means making the best of what you've actually got. And this is within the reach of most of us.

There's nothing mysterious or complicated about good grooming. You just have to train your mind a little and keep your head!

Plenty of girls who buy quite nice shoes go about down at heel because they won't remember to get each pair re-heeled at once as it becomes necessary. They wait until they haven't a pair fit to put on.

Easy enough to avoid, isn't it? And avoiding it is an important feature of good grooming.

Heels worn over on one side makes a smart outfit look shabby, and ruin your walk and carriage.

You've often been warned against the trouble and expense of having too many colour schemes. Your black shoes need re-heeling and your brown ones are fine, but all your necessary odds and ends are in your black bag, and you're in such a hurry you don't want to transfer them, and, anyway, you can only find brown gloves.

The well-groomed woman must keep her head among these accessories!

Doesn't it irritate you to walk behind a girl who's got her stocking seams all crooked?—It isn't much trouble to make sure a few minutes after fastening your suspenders that you've fixed them in the right place.

A hem with an uneven dip, and a coat lining with a bit that's come unstitched and hangs down, can ruin any attempt to look smart. You don't need a dress and a new coat to put that right.

A well-groomed woman is careful about personal freshness. Use your perspiration deterrent often enough, stitch dress preservers into your frocks if you're likely to need them, have your woollies cleaned before they get too frowsty.

It's almost rule one not to show shoulder straps.

All frocks with wide oval necks need a bit of ribbon stitching under the shoulders with a fasten-

er at the other end for clipping straps safely away.

If you wear white collars and cuffs, have them easily detachable and have two or three sets. They must be replaced and washed constantly.

If you can't manage that—and it is a nuisance—don't wear white cuffs and collars!

Teeth are a noticeable point: clean them twice a day regularly and use toothpicks or dental floss once a day and they'll look properly cared for.

When you come in and tidy yourself up do you always put on a dressing gown, bed jacket or little cape before touching your hair with a brush or comb?

It's one of the most important rules for good grooming: stray hairs and bits of scurf on your clothes put you right at the bottom of the class. And so does neglecting your clothes brush.

Never be sparing with your brush and comb from fear of disturbing your set. If you are, your

hair is bound to look unkempt as well as lifeless.

And please, please give up wearing your hairgrips with the whole of the upper side quite frankly showing! They're as bad as visible shoulder straps.

The advantages of grips are firstly that they stay securely in place, and secondly that they are very easy to conceal.

Put them in so that a lock or a curl covers them; if it's necessary to secure this covering a fine pin will stay put when a grip is doing the real work.

It's a good tip to carry an orange stick in your bag. Dirty nails look dreadfully unsightly, and yet they do befall one so quickly!

Finally—badly chipped nail polish looks worse than none at all.

I expect that while you have read this other points have occurred to you.

But this is a fairly comprehensive survey of good grooming from toe to top and down to your finger tips. And you'll have to admit that it isn't mysterious or difficult or costly!

## LESSONS IN LIVING

You've certainly heard it said that some person is "real" or "genuine." Maybe you've thought it rather tiresome, meaningless praise?

Yet it's a quality one can recognise though it's hard to define. It's more than just not being hypocritical or affected. A person can be fairly sincere but have so small an outlook that he or she seems out of touch with reality: unreal.

The "real" person has a certain grasp of reality through the heart or the mind or both. Perhaps this can be explained by a few examples.

Imagine a girl who is enjoying a flirtation. One evening at a party her best girl friend cuts her out with the young man. Resenting it, she loses both young man and friend.

Six months later both girls have lost all interest in the man and he has faded from their lives. But though they secretly miss each

other they don't meet.

The girl who was so angry may —

(a) Take the line that it has all been a silly mistake, not to be remembered or discussed.

(b) Stick out for a humble apology.

(c) Feel that they inevitably are friends again and there it is; but that, since something did happen and they both managed it badly, one day when they're in an easy talking mood they'd better have it out and see if anything can be learnt.

Course (a) shows some grasp of what is important, but misses a chance of development.

Course (b) is unreal to the point of silliness; if you want someone humble you don't want a friend.

I think Course (c) is the real person's choice.

Imagine a girl in a tennis tournament finals facing an opponent whom she knows, dislikes and thinks she can beat.

She plays well, but her rival plays the game of her life and wins.

What's needed first is good manners, the good form of sportsmanship! But here's where genuineness comes in.

Someone might allow herself to feel really thoroughly upset by losing a game.

Someone else might start kidding herself that the enemy had had many flukes.

A third might recognise that it had been a good, fair game and the result really didn't matter—much!

Which is your pick for a real person?

Imagine a man with a small legacy or some savings. Someone he likes but doesn't know well and considers careless and extravagant tries to borrow to get out of a jam.

A real person may find real reasons either to lend or to refuse.

But what of the man who raises the suppliant's hopes in order to get rid of him easily and then wriggles out by letter?

To be so cruel without even meaning to be, takes a very unreal person indeed!

## Talking Time

If you have a toddler in the house always speak accurately and distinctly in his presence.

Provide him with ample opportunities for free play with other children of his age.

Don't ask him to speak. Let him alone. He will learn best to talk in his own time.

During his second year begin reading to him from picture story books.

For speech training, reading stories is far better than telling stories, since the language usually is better and he hears the same words and sentence-patterns over and over.

Never laugh at any errors. Never make fun of his questions or remarks.

Always be patient and sympathetic.

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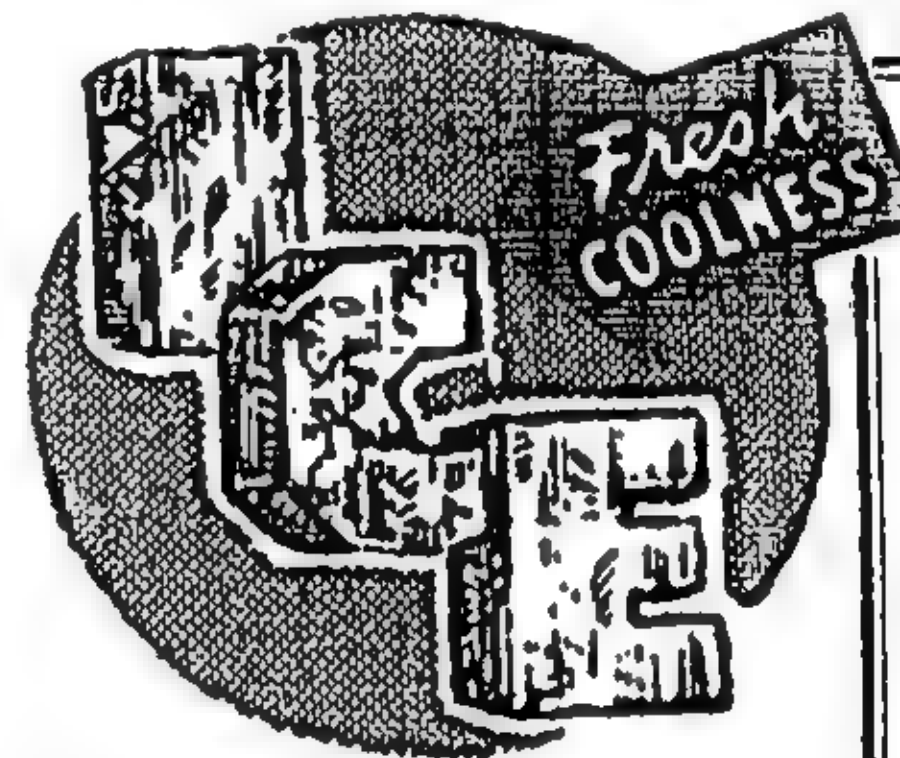
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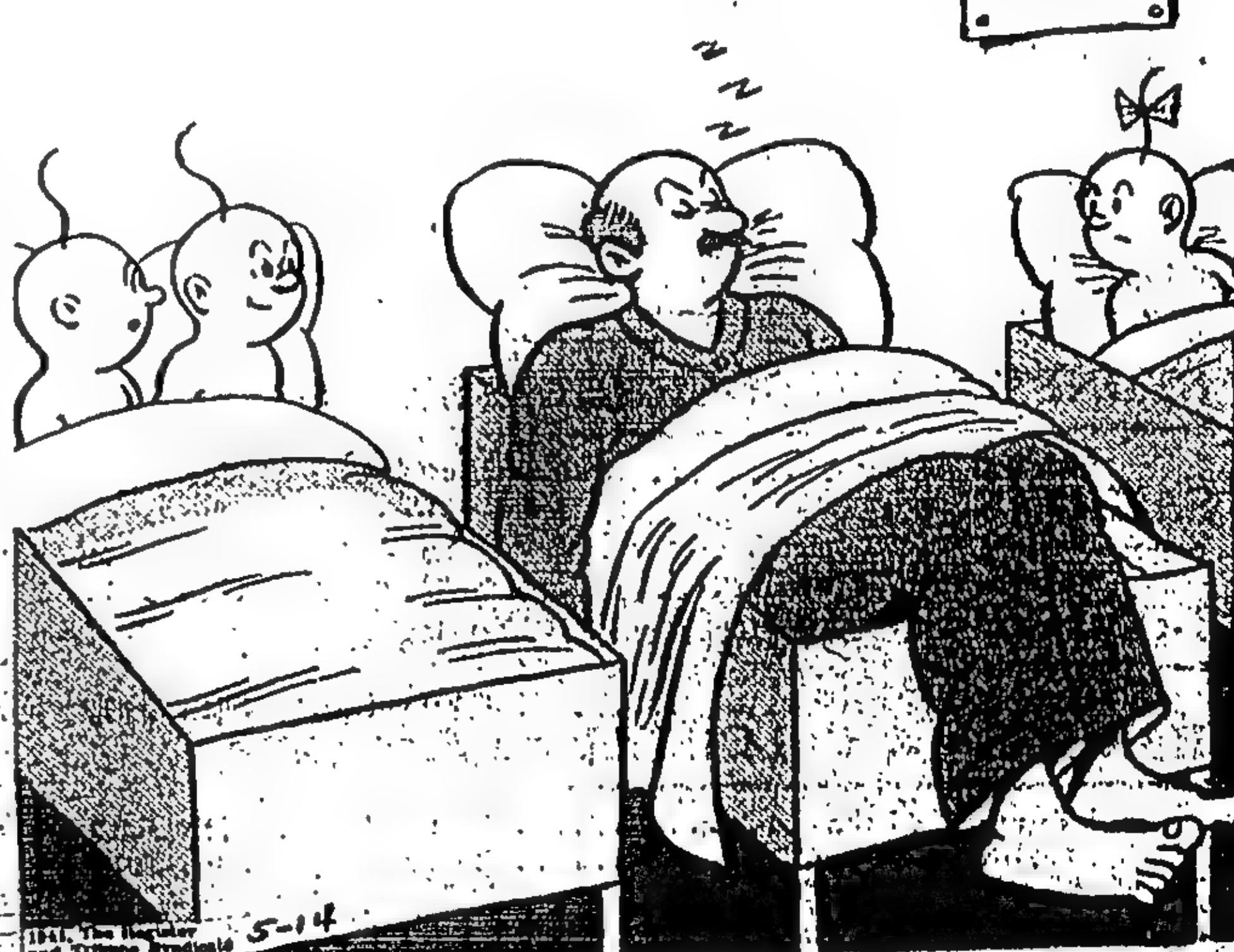
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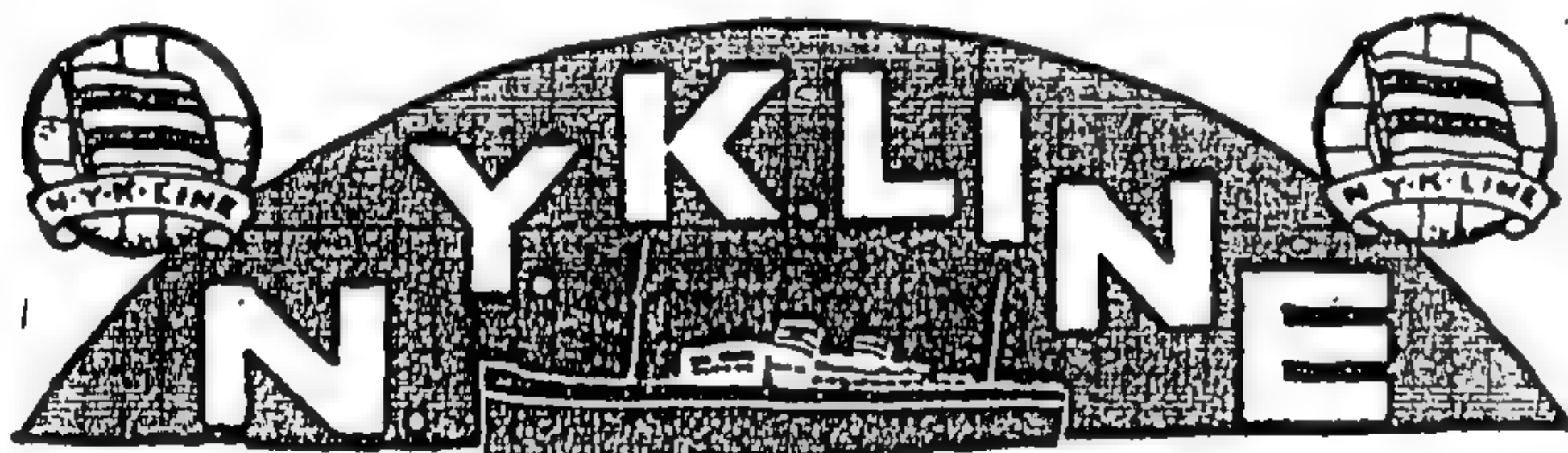
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Band and Mo.  
12.40 p.m.—Songs by Turner Layton at  
the Piano.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-  
gramme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—A Gershwin Programme.  
1.30 p.m.—Rugby & Rugby Press and  
Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Humorous & Vocal Variety.  
Sketch—A Record Broadcast (Geof-  
frey Clayton)...The Parlophone  
Sketch Company. Vocal—Dinah  
(Lewis-Young-Askat)...The Boswell  
Sisters with guitar accomp. Vocal  
—Peter's Pop Keeps A Lollipop  
Shop...Rocky Mountaineers  
accomp. by the Bunk House Boys.  
Humorous—With Her Head Tucked  
Underneath Her Army (Weston &  
Lee)...Stanley Holloway with  
piano. Vocal—Marie Louise  
(Melsel)...Browning Mummery  
(Tenor) with orchestra, Comedienne  
—I Haven't Been The Same Girl  
Since (Harper & Haines)...Gracie  
Fields (Soprano) with orchestra.  
Comedian—How The So-And-So Can  
I Be Happy: The Girl Next Door  
(Max Miller)...Max Miller with  
orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-  
tions.

6.47 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—You're Just A No Ac-  
count: You're A Lucky Guy...  
Louis Armstrong & his orchestra  
Tangos—Horas Fugaces: Trapa  
Vieja...Orchestra Tipica, Swing  
Fox-Trot—Sweet Potato Piper (from  
film "The Road to Singapore")...  
Blue Ribbon Rag...Arthur Young  
& Harchett's Swingette. Slow Fox-  
Trots—When I Dream Of Home:  
Moonlight And Mimosa...Joe Loss  
and his orchestra. Fox-Trot—When  
The Blackbird Says Bye-Bye...The  
New Mayfair Dance Orchestra.  
Blues—The Ghost Of Smoky Joe  
(from film "Cotton Club Parade")...  
The Six Swingers. Fox-Trots—  
Harlem Air Shaft: Sepia Panorama  
Duke Ellington & his Famous  
Orchestra. Waltzes—Lover: Your  
Smiles, Your Tears (from "Nina  
Rosa")...Harry Horlick & his orch.

7.30 p.m.—A Variety Programme.

Vocal—There'll Come Another Day  
(Stranks & Pettison): All Over The  
Place (Eytan & Gay)...Hutch  
(Leslie A. Hutchinson)  
Organ—Torch Parade, No. 3—Intro:  
I Can't Love You Any More: I'll  
Never Smile Again, Until I Smile  
At You: Until You Fall In Love: I  
Hear Bluebirds: Fools Rush In:  
We'll Go Smiling Along...Sidney  
Torch.

Vocal—Yes, My Darling Daughter (J.  
Lawrence): Down Argentina Way  
(from film "Down Argentina Way")  
—Gordon, Harry Warren)...Dinah  
Shore with orchestra.

Vocal—All This And Heaven Too  
(Delange—Van Heusen)...Dick  
Todd with orchestra.

Sing—Give Out (Strauss-Dale-  
Miller): Yodel In Swing (Don Ray-  
Hughie Prince)...Sid Phillips Trio  
with the Greene Sisters.

8.00 p.m.—London—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London—"Listening Post".  
Examination of Points in Daily Ger-  
man Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary

8.32 p.m.—Malcolm MacEachern (Bass)  
and Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.  
Fantasia "Our Homeland"—Intro:  
Hearts of Oak: John Peel: A Hun-  
dred Pipers: Garry Owen: London-  
derry Air. Loudly Proclaim  
Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Mv Grandfather's Clock (Hilliam &  
Foolie): Lucy Long (Hilliam & F.  
Godfrey)...Malcolm MacEachern  
with J. Alexandra (Dawson) and  
Novelty Accomp.

"Belle Of New York"—Selection  
(Kerker)...Band of H.M. Cold-  
stream Guards.

In Praise Of Ale (Cedric Sharpe):  
Gentlemen, Good-night (Lockton &  
Longstaffe)...Malcolm MacEachern  
with piano.

"H.M.S. Pinafore"—Selection (Sulli-  
van)...Band of H.M. Coldstream  
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9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-  
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9.02 p.m.—Studio—Review of New  
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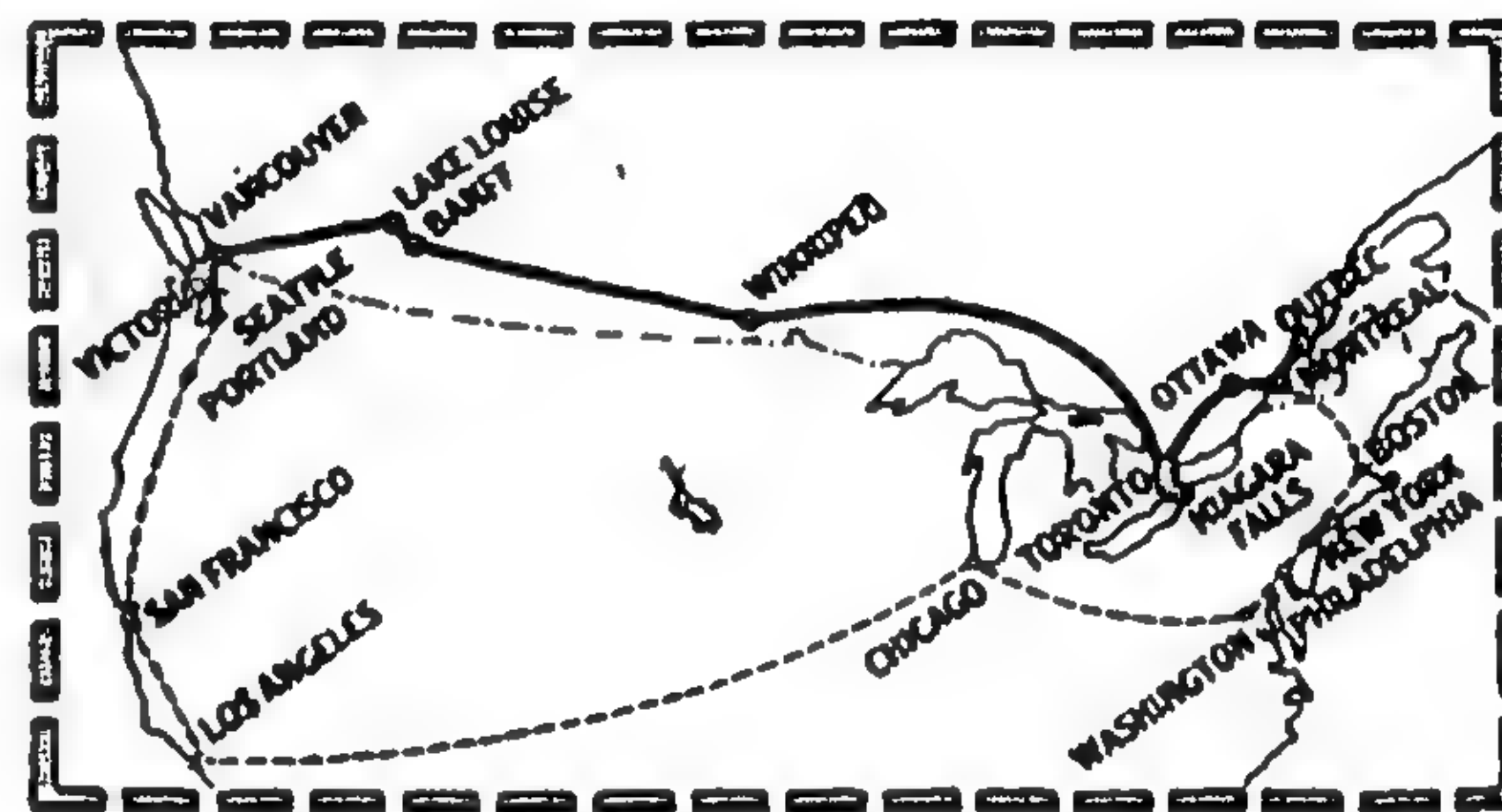
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## FACTORY COSTS JUMP

Criticism of the huge rises in the costs of erecting war factories and of the big profits made by firms employed on defence contracts is made in the report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General on the Appropriation Account of the Ministry of Supply for 1939.

He states that when work was begun in November, 1939, on a group of ordnance factories the cost was estimated at £15,000,000. Six months later the quantity surveyors estimated that the cost would be 40 per cent. more.

He mentions that, instead of employing the Office of Works as agents, the Ministry employed a firm of consulting engineers who are paid an annual fee of £15,000 for their services.

Referring to the profits of firms on war work, the Auditor-General says there was a charge of £10 5s a ton for one of the firm's own products for which it had charged an associate company £1 8s 5d a ton.

"The Ministry informed me," he adds, "that the firm stated that the long-date contract price, as fixed with their other customers, was £10 15s a ton; that the difference was due to the cost of packages, freight and selling expenses, and that the firm maintained that the price was not excessive."

### £535,000 Overpayment

A number of cases of overpayments to firms are also mentioned. In one it was found that the firm's increasing turnover called for considerable reduction in the rates for overheads and profits and that the amount payable for 1939 production, for which some £1,358,000 had been paid, was approximately £823,000.

"The overpayment of some £535,000," says the Auditor-General, "was recovered during 1940, partly in cash and partly by withholding progress payments on production."

Commenting on the "target cost" scheme, under which a manufacturer who reduces his costs below the target figure shares in the saving, the report says that on three successive contracts one contractor's share of the savings gave him total profits of 39 per cent., 50 per cent., and 43 per cent. on cost.

In another case a contractor's costs turned out to be 15 p.c. below the estimate. Nevertheless, the full price continued to be paid, and further tenders were accepted. In November the manufacturer made a voluntary refund of over £139,000 in respect of five contracts.

Another contractor agreed to pay back £79,000 out of total payments of £560,000, and on grounds of hardship the Ministry accepted repayment by instalments.

## HIGH WAGES ARE CAUSING NEW WARTIME CRIME-WAVE

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD errand boys, turned into demolition workers at £4 5s. 8d. a week, are spending £3 a week each on clothes, cigarettes, cinemas and beer. They are the East End playboys behind London's newest wartime crime-wave.

Swollen-headed because of their 1s. 7½d. an hour jobs, they are reversing the peacetime rule that poverty leads to crime.

With too much money to spend, many of them are learning in gangs to drink and gamble, and are finding themselves in the juvenile courts, accused by policemen who earn less than they do.

### Three results:—

ONE:—Remand homes have been crowded to such an extent that Sir Alexander Maxwell, permanent under-secretary at the Home Office, has issued circulars asking for more space. He estimates 1940's juvenile crime to be 40 per cent. above 1939's.

TWO:—London County Council have evacuated their remand homes for children under eleven to make room for the new criminals—boys with men's wages.

THREE:—Juvenile courts are sitting twice as long as they did. I saw a juvenile charge sheet that showed the position. There were twenty-two cases, double the usual number. Twenty dealt with boys in the wage-earning years between fourteen and sixteen, and eight of them with sixteen-year-olds earning wages on which families were raised in peacetime.

### £4. 5. 8 Spent—And

A sixteen-year-old boy, seven weeks a demolition worker, gave me his budget last night. "I give my mother 25s. a week and keep the rest to enjoy myself," he said.

"I might have four glasses of beer a night—never enough to do any harm. I smoke about twenty cigarettes a day. Then there's the pictures about twice a week and sometimes a dance."

He looked at his tweed suit, his new shoes, and said: "And I keep myself in clothes."

Here then in his approximate weekly budget:—

	£	s.	d.
To mother	1	5	0
Beers, 28 at 5½d. each	12	10	
Cigarettes, 20 a day at 1s. 6d. a packet	10	6	
Cinema twice a week	2	0	
Dances, clothes, fares	1	15	4

### Nothing Saved

His mother confirmed this and seemed to take a pride in his

wage-earning. She said, "He has a right to enjoy himself. He has an occasional drink, but never comes home drunk."

Said a juvenile court official, "Trouble is when the war is over these boys will not be able to adjust themselves to smaller wages and they don't seem to be saving a penny for themselves or for the country."

## DUTCH ARE NOT KNUCKLING DOWN

It has been revealed that the romance has increased in the Netherlands during the last two months, and the work of the German military commander, Christensen, has become steadily more difficult.

Stringent labour conditions are now in force: failure to work for the Germans may be punishable by imprisonment up to 15 years, or if the work is in connection with army needs, to which all vital industries belong, by the death penalty.

The well known Orange Hotel in Scheveningen has been made into a prison for political offenders. The Hollanders consider it quite amusing that those defending the house of Orange are detained in the Orange Hotel.

### Catholics v. Nazis

The Catholic Church in Holland, according to Mussert, Dutch Nazi leader, has attacked the Nazi movement in a pastoral letter. All Catholic priests, regular and secular, who head Catholic schools schools had to resign before May 1.

Thorough, Dutch tombstones are censored by the Germans according to "Vrij Nederland." Free Dutch newspaper published in London. No monuments or headstones may be erected in Holland until the Nazis have approved plans and inscriptions.

### Solidarity Emphased

Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands minister to the U.S.A., speaks out firmly and clearly. In a radio address during his visit to Los Angeles, on which occasion he was introduced by Dr. Adrian Hartog, Consul for the Netherlands with the British Empire, and pointed out the fact that the war against the Nazis was not merely an economic war, but was a war for the very freedom of the human soul. It was a war that would stop at no border. Holland had learned that lesson. If men desired freedom of soul they must in these times be willing to fight and die for it. He believed absolutely in the ultimate victory of free peoples over the Nazis. We must, he said, rid ourselves of the habit of taking such supreme things as freedom of the soul for granted. We must safeguard this, not for ourselves only, but for our children and grandchildren.

The juridical basis for the "Free Netherlands" is twofold; first by of the Netherlands was constituted not as a nation in Europe with colonies in the East and West Indies, but as a combination of sister provinces, scattered over three continents and uniting to form the Kingdom.

## BLUE-OVERALL GIRLS' HOSTEL

The largest hostel for Britain's women munition workers received its first batch of blue-overall residents the other day.

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The girls sleep in two-bunked rooms, and there are 50 rooms to each of the 20 blocks. Each block has bath rooms, drying rooms, boot rooms, and, of course, an air raid shelter.

The dining rooms, open from 4.30 a.m. till 11.30 p.m., hold 500 each. Full board and lodging cost the girls 25s a week each.

They find at their disposal a reading room, a writing room, a comfortable lounge, a games room and a library. There is also a big hall for dances, keep-fit classes, concerts, cinema shows, and amateur dramatics.

A laundry and a sick-bay with sister-in-charge, have also been installed.

There is plenty to do in free time out of doors, as there are flower gardens, allotments where the girls help to grow their own vegetables, tennis courts, a hockey field and netball pitches.

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With the majority of their players available against for lawn bowls this Saturday, Club de Recreio have wrung a great many changes in their teams for this week-end. Their "A" team will be playing against their "B" and not one of the rinks that represented them against Police last week remain intact.

Two of the skips who played last Saturday have been replaced—Carlos Silva and F. X. Silva—and their places will be taken by J. F. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves respectively. Ribeiro's front men will be J. Luz, Marques and Xavier. Last week Carlos Silva had D. C. Alves, Marques and J. J. Basto, the last named going back to "B" this week. Carlos Silva is not available. Alves, who takes over F. X. Silva's place, will have in his rink Silva himself as lead, with C. M. Silva and Noronha as the middle men. R. F. Luz will retain Soares as lead but will have Rora-Pereira and F. V. V. Ribeiro as Nos. 2 and 3 respectively instead of Noronha and Guterres, who go back to the "B" team.

C. A. Lopes, who skipped Osmund, Pereira and C. H. Basto in last week's "B" team, will not be playing this time. J. J. Basto returns to the side as skip and will have Alves, Remedios and C. H. Basto in his four.

Returning to his normal position as one of the skips in "B" team, A. P. Guterres will be leading Vas, A. M. Xavier and Rodrigues. The rink last week comprised Machado, C. M. Alves, Carvalho and C. C. Pereira. E. Souza, who led J. O. Remedios, A. M. Xavier and J. A. Remedios last week will have a new rink this time in Machado, Noronha and J. O. Remedios.

## Second Division

Recreio were not engaged in Second Division last week, their match with Prison Officers' Club being called off owing to Volunteer duties. They last played on July 12 when they lost to Kowloon Tong and the team this week is considerably changed from that one. Carvalho retains a rink but two of his front men are changed. The last time he had Sequiera, Rosario, Gutierrez, and this Saturday his team will be Barros, Rosario and H. R. Pinna. Pereira retains Cunha as lead but F. Xavier, who was his No. 3 for the last game, will move up to No. 2, in place of H. M. Xavier, to make room for J. A. Remedios at No. 3. The last named was skip on July 12. The third rink will comprise Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. Alves and J. R. Soares, as compared with Prata, J. O. Remedios, F. L. Barros and J. A. Remedios for their match with Kowloon Tong.

## Complete Reshuffle

Their Third Division team has also been considerably changed about. The only alteration in Yvanovich's rink is that A. Ribeiro comes in as No. 2 in place of A. M. Silva, but the second rink has been completely reshuffled, comprising M. Guterres, J. Remedios, Mendonca and A. P. Pereira as against Alarcon, H. M. Xavier, A. A. da Rosa and H. R. Pinna last week. Two changes, for the middle post-

ions, are noted in M. F. Pinna's rink. H. M. Xavier and A. A. da Rosa replacing P. d'Almeida and Mendonca at Nos. 2 and 3 respectively.

## Promotion For Sheriff

Kowloon Bowling Green Club "A" have not made many changes for their match this week with Civil Service Cricket Club. Holland and Duncan retain the same rinks and the only change in Hall's four is that Sheriff, who was skipping one of the "B" rinks last week, will replace Peckham as No. 3, Peckham taking over one of the "B" fours.

In their "B" team, Gill comes into Meyer's rink as No. 3 to replace Drew, while Peckham will have Hodder, Dixon and Sykes playing for him. Sheriff's rink of last week comprised Hodder, Dixon and Lockhart, the last named this week going No. 3 to Guy instead of Bower, who will be playing in Third Division.

As in the case of their "A" team in First Division, there is only one change in Third Division, this being in Jordan's rink, where Bower replaces Hurst as lead.

## Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams CLUB DE RECREIO

First Division "A" (v. Recreio "B", home):—F. X. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip); Joe Luz, C. E. Marques, I. F. Xavier, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Soares, C. Roza-Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

"B" Team:—D. C. Alves, O. P. Remedios, C. H. Basto, J. J. Basto (skip), F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, Eddie Souza (skip); C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Guterres (skip).

Second Division (v. H.K.F.C., home):—A. J. Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares (skip); E. L. Barros, L. A. Rosario, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip); E. Cunha, Fred A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v. C.C.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, Arthur Ribeiro, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip); M. A. Guterres, Jock Remedios, M. Mendonca, A. P. Pereira (skip); F. P. Sequiera, H. M. Xavier, A. A. da Rosa, M. F. Pinna (skip).

K.B.G.C.

First Division "A" (v. C.S.C.C., away):—W. L. Walker, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland (skip); P. Holloway, H. White, G. H. Sheriff, A. J. Hall (skip); R. P. Phillips, E. Levett, J. McKelvie, R. Duncan (skip).

First Division "B" (v. I.R.C., away):—W. C. Hodder, V. C. Dixon, L. Sykes, P. A. Peckham (skip); H. Bicknell, E. Atkins, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer (skip); G. W. Elphick, K. C. Hamilton, H. L. Lockhart, L. Guy (skip).

Third Division (v. I.R.C., Home):—I. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, E. V. Searle, H. Nish (skip); W. M. Wilson, J. S. Dinnen, G. Thompson, C. Wallis (skip); A. Bower, S. C. Walker, C. E. Langley, L. A. Jordan (skip).

# INTERPORT FOOTBALL

Though Shanghai and Manila were unable to send football teams to Hong Kong last year for Interport game, provision will be made by Hong Kong Football Association for such games in the Spring. Certain dates during the Chinese New Year holidays for Interport games have already been reserved.

The annual Interport game with Macao is held during Easter week.

Wayne Sabin of Reno, Nevada, second seeded player, advanced to the final of the annual Bathing and Tennis Club's invitation tournament at Spelling Lake, N.J., on July 11 by eliminating Jack Kramer of Los Angeles, third seeded, in a five-set battle, 4-6, 6-1, 6-8, 6-3, 6-0. Pitcher Paul Christman, Missouri's fine back, plays first base in baseball.

Ray Robinson, young Philadelphia negro, who has been boxing professionally for a year, remains unbeaten following a decision in a 10-round bout against Sammy Angott, world light-weight champion, according to the National Boxing Association. The title was not at stake, but Robinson floored Angott twice in the second round and clearly won seven rounds.—Reuter.

George Lai, Craigengower Cricket Club Third Division League tennis player, is a patient in Queen Mary Hospital, where he recently underwent an operation. Lai has had some bad luck with illness this season. It will be recalled that earlier on a sprained wrist precluded his participation in sport, and just as he had recovered sufficiently to play tennis again he developed abdominal trouble which necessitated the operation from which he is now making good recovery.



W. J. Buller, winner, and Hugh Smith, right, photographed on Sunday, when the Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's Junior Section Championship was played at the Valley. Buller won by 2 up over 36 holes.

# POLICE PAIR SCORE A 7 TO WIN 24-14

Due to Volunteer and A.R.P. exercises in connection with the black-out, the lawn bowls programme was again curtailed yesterday, only four Second Round matches being played in the Colony Pairs Championship.

Honours of the day went to the Police pair W. Cameron and E. G. Post who, in beating J. W. Leonard and W. K. Way of Craigengower, chalked up a 7 at the 8th when they were already holding a comfortable lead of 6-2. They finally won by 24-14, the match being played at the Civil Service Cricket Club.

Post scored at 14 ends and it was due mainly to their better combination that the Police pair forged ahead slowly but surely, until they had gained a 24-12 lead by the penultimate head Scores were:—

E.G.P.: 210211170001100  
11140  
W.K.W.: 0011000002110024  
00002

## Stranges Lose

C. E. Marques and J. E. Noronha beat the Strange brothers, E. and H., by 31 shots to 14 after scoring at 12 ends.

It was quite evident from the early stages that the Portuguese pair were too good for the brothers who, nevertheless, put up as good a fight as they could under the circumstances.

Noronha and his partner had two 5's, two 4's and two 3's included in their score, while the biggest count notched up by the Strange brothers was a 3 which came at the 5th end to trail 4-5. Thereafter, however, the Portuguese asserted themselves and by the 17th brought their total to double that of their opponents. Scores were:—

J.E.N.: 13010103410002051  
0450  
H.E.S.: 00103020002110100  
2001

## A Good Game

At Club de Recreio "B", A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens beat Mr. Forquison and W. D. MacMaster by 21-10.

Scoring at 11 ends, the winners had a 5 at the 7th, and this rather consolidated their position, for they were, up till then, only leading 6-4. MacMaster, however, fought back doggedly and had reduced the arrears to 15-18 by the 18th with 1121302, but a run of 12101 clinched the issue for the Hong Kong Football Club pair. Scores were:—

G.E.S.: 2101205020000030  
12101  
W.M.M.: 0030010101121302  
00010

# THIRD HIGHEST SINGLE SERIES AMONG BOWLERS

MRS. NANCY HUFF, WHO BEGAN BOWLING ONLY TWO YEARS AGO, ROLLED THE THIRD HIGHEST SINGLES SERIES IN THE 24-YEAR HISTORY OF THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CONGRESS.

Without a miss in her 30 frames, the Los Angeles woman rolled 602, to take first place by 20 pins. She started with 270, only one less than the W.B.C. one-game record established May 5 by Mrs. Marian Gorman of Detroit. The Congress 30-frame record is 712, rolled by Marie Clamerson of Chicago in 1934.

# History Of U.S. Open Golf Championship

AT WHAT AGE DOES A GOLFER HAVE TO ADMIT THAT HIS YEARS LESSEN HIS CHANCES OF WINNING THE AMERICA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP?

Wood at 39—going on 40—knew he could win the 1941 Open tournament at Colonial Club, Port Worth.

Age, Wood says, doesn't mean anything. In his opinion all a golfer needs to keep winning tournaments is distance and incentive. And big, blonde Craig says he has both of them, plus the valuable asset of experience.

But records show Wood's age was against him.

## Winner At 43

Only one player of more than 39 has won the title—Edward Ray of England was 43 when he came home first in 1920. Ray and Willie MacFarlane, who was 36 when he beat Bob Jones in the 1925 playoff, are the only winners beyond 35.

Actually, there have been only 10 winners in the 44 tournaments who were over 30. These were Joe Lloyd, 1897; Lawrence Auchterlonie, 1902; Alex Smith, 1910; Ray, 1920; Jim Barnes, 1921; Cyril Walker, 1924; MacFarlane, 1925; Tommy Armour, 1927; Olin Dutra, 1934, and Tony Manero, 1936. Gene Sarazen was 39 when he tied Lawson Little and lost in last year's playoff.

## Terrific Strain

Wood believed his age would be of value in one respect: his years of competition would prevent him from becoming panicky under the terrific strain of the final day's play.

Many players with good early scores blow up in the drive down the stretch. Craig says he doesn't worry about those ahead of him, he just plays his best and waits for them to crack.

But some young fellows haven't acquired nerves and won't crack. Johnny McDermott probably didn't know what nerves were when he won the crown in 1911 at 19, the youngest.

# TO-DAY'S BOWLS FIXTURE

As far as can be ascertained up to the time of writing, there is only one Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship match arranged for this afternoon, this being the game between U. A. and A. H. Rumjahn, of Indian R.C. and H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, of Club de Recreio and holders of the title since 1939, on the Civil Service C.C. ground.

It is learned from Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, that the other postponed matches in this competition will be played to-morrow and on Friday, though he has had no notification regarding the new dates for these games.

## Simpson's Good Run

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club A. Eastman and W. C. Simpson beat J. McCarrach and T. Pile by 25-11.

The winners scored at 14 ends and were playing the better brand of bowls right through. Their biggest count was a 4 at the 4th but they had a good run of 13021212 to lead 10-3 at the 15th, and then they gave away a brace only to come back with 1311 to finish off the game. Scores were:—

W.C.S.: 0104100130212120  
20131  
T.P.: 101003102000001  
02000

# U.S. OPEN FACTS

YOUNGEST CHAMPION—Johnny McDermott was 19 when he won in 1911.

OLDEST CHAMPION—Edward Ray was 43 when he won in 1920.

LOWEST SCORE—Ralph Guldahl's 281 in 1937.

HIGHEST SCORE—Willie Anderson's 331 in 1901.

FIRST WINNER BELOW 300—Alex Smith, 295 in 1908.

FIRST WINNER BELOW 290—Charles Evans, 288 in 1916.

MOST CHAMPIONSHIPS—Willie Anderson and Bob Jones, 4.

MOST SUCCESSIVE CHAMPIONSHIPS—Anderson, three (1903-04-05).

LAST FOREIGN WINNER—Edward Ray of England in 1920 (Tommy Armour, living in U.S. but born in Scotland, 1927).

FOREIGN-BORN PLAYOFF—Armour and Harry Cooper, born in England, 1927.

AMATEUR WINNERS—Francis Ouimet (1913), Jerome Travers (1915), Charles Evans (1916), Bob Jones (1923-26-29-30) and Johnny Goodman (1933).

champion. He repeated it the next year. Francis Ouimet was barely 20 when he became the first amateur to win in 1913, beating Harry Vardon and Ray, two British challengers, in a playoff. Sarazen was 20 when he won in 1922, Jones, in 1923, and Walter Hagen, in 1914, were 22 when they won their first championships. The average age of Open champions is in the middle twenties.

## At His Best

Wood has played perhaps the best golf of his career in the past two years. He shot an all-time low for a 72-hole medal play tournament over a championship length course in 1940, when he won the Metropolitan Open with 284, and he recently won the Augusta Masters.

Wood tied for the 1939 Open and lost in a playoff with Byron Nelson. Last year he was fourth. He has tied for first—and lost in the playoff—for two other major championships, the Professional Golfers' and the British Open.



# TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

A full programme of League Tennis matches is scheduled to be decided this afternoon, but in view of the black-out exercises it is possible that some of the teams will not carry out their fixtures owing to Volunteer, A.R.P. duties etc. The list, as originally arranged, however, is as follows:—

C.R.C. (2) v. Recreio University v. Army T.C. Craigengower v. Kowloon-Tong South China v. Kowloon C.C. Indian R.C. v. C.R.C. (2)

Some of the probable teams are:—

Recreio: H. A. and G. A. Noronha; H. F. Goncalves and A. E. Noronha; F. J. and J. J. Remedios.

Kowloon-Tong: L. Chen and D. Kwok; A. H. Bisio and K. M. Lee; S. Hsu and D. Chen.

Indian R.C.: M. P. Muddar and A. R. H. Esmail; M. Abdul-Wahab and M. Hassan; A. Rahim and I. Kitchell.

South China: J. Hsu and H. C. Kwok; K. H. Ip and S. Y. Li; K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong.

Kowloon Indian: S. A. and S. S. Hussain; Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sopher; M. Ramzan and K. S. Mehal.

Craigengower: J. W. Leonard and W. K. Lee; W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo; A. Kitchell and A. N. Oher.

C.R.C. (2): J. Tak-chauk and Wong Shiu-wing; Ng Kam-chuen and P. P. Choy; L. F. Hon and Lam Yuk-ying.

C.R.C. (1): S. W. Wong and C. C. Luk; K. C. Ng and B. F. Choy; C. Y. Lam and C. N. Tang.



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## SCHOOLS' AQUATIC MEETING

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB, EVER ANXIOUS AND WILLING TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG SWIMMERS, HAVE DECIDED TO HOLD A SWIMMING GALA ON AUGUST 23 WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO ALL SCHOOLS OF THE COLONY AND WHICH WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS RUN BY THE SCHOOLS THEMSELVES.

A preliminary meeting was held on July 10, when tentative arrangements were made for the gala, but a final meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5, when further points will be discussed.

One very important ruling of the competition is that all competitors representing any school must have been registered at least three months prior to the heats.

The events will be divided into three classes, namely Boys, senior and junior, and Girls. There is no age or height limit for senior boys, while the junior swimmers must be under 15 years of age and under 5 ft. 1 in. in height. There will be only one class for girl swimmers.

### Chance For All

In order that more swimmers may compete, no competitor will be allowed to enter for more than two individual events, excluding diving and relay races. A junior swimmer may compete in the senior events but not in both sections. The usual method of scoring will be carried out.

After the competition members of V.R.C. will give a demonstration of diving and swimming.

Entries close on August 4, and sportsmasters are requested to send their entries in time and to attend the meeting on August 5.

Following is the list of events:—

- BOYS' EVENTS (SENIOR)**  
 200 Yards free-style Relay (4 x 50).  
 150 Yards Medley Relay Race.  
 100 Yards free-style.  
 220 Yards free-style.  
 100 Yards breast-stroke.  
 100 Yards back-stroke.  
 Fancy Diving (3 metre board).  
**BOYS' EVENTS (JUNIOR)**  
 200 Yards free-style Relay.  
 150 Yards Medley Relay.  
 500 Yards free-style.  
 100 Yards free-style.  
 50 Yards back-stroke.  
 50 Yards breast-stroke.  
 Diving (one metre board).  
**GIRLS' EVENTS**  
 200 Yards free-style Relay.  
 50 Yards free-style.  
 50 Yards back-stroke.  
 50 Yards breast-stroke.  
 Diving (three metre board).

New York Giants, who could win only five games from Brooklyn all last year, won the first three games from the Dodgers this season.



"Battling" Rio recalled Hong Kong was dead as far as boxing was concerned, and successfully sought laurels overseas.

## FRENCH CONVENT SPORT LOUIS GOOD AS EVER



Yvonne Yolle

## Yolle Sisters Will Be Missed

French Convent sport will suffer a severe blow when the school re-opens after the mid-Summer holidays in September, for amongst those who will have left school are the Yolle sisters, Yvonne and Jeanne, two of the leading lights.

Worse than that, however, is the fact that others who played such a prominent part in winning the 'A' Grade championship for the school at the All Schools' and Open Athletic Meeting earlier in the year will also probably be leaving, including Jacqueline Anderson, who is the school's leading swimmer, in addition to being a member of the softball, net-ball and athletic teams.

The champion team of last year comprised Yvonne Yolle, Jacqueline Anderson, Jamalee Abdul-Curream, Priscilla Pires, Connie Law and Jeanne Yolle, and it is more than likely that of these only the Misses Abdul-Curream, Pires and Law will be left to carry on the good work.

### Victrix Ludorum

Yvonne Yolle was the senior Victrix Ludorum at the school's athletic sports last year. Her sister, Jeanne, was also prominent with some good performances, while Jackie Anderson is easily the school's best all-rounder.

It is interesting to note that Jamalee Abdul-Curream is the younger sister of Miss Hajara Abdul-Curream, who just took her Arts degree at Hong Kong University and who has been one of the leading all-round lady athletes at the University for a number of years. Like her elder sister, Jamalee is a useful performer in sprint races and is capable of covering the 100 Yards in just outside 12 seconds. She was also second to Yvonne Yolle in the 220 Yards and High Jump at the school sports early this year.

Miss Pires is also a sprinter of no mean ability, while another member of the Yolle family, Colette, who was one of the best junior performers at the

## LOUIS GOOD AS EVER SAYS BAER

Talkative Max Baer, former playboy of the squared arena, has placed himself on record as saying that Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, is "just carrying the boys along" to keep up interest in the heavyweight division of the fight game.

"Joe is as good as the night, he knocked me out and he is just carrying the boys now for business reasons," Baer said.

## BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of Hong Kong Baseball League will be held this afternoon to consider H.B.A.'s resignation from the League and to re-arrange the fixtures for the rest of the season.

The annual representatives' meeting of Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will be held on Thursday next, July 31. The new committee for the coming year will be elected at this meeting.

## Easier Golf

### IMPROVING THE LEFT ARM ACTION

By Best Ball

To achieve left arm mastery in golf it is often necessary to give some time to practice with this arm alone. As a matter of fact such a procedure will be a help to any golfer intent on improving his game. For this exercise not only makes one more left arm conscious; it also strengthens the muscles and grip of the left hand and forearm besides developing a more flexible left wrist.

Golfers may vary the routine to suit their own ideas of development but the above exercise serves the purpose quite well. Standing in his customary golf stance, left arm extended and gripping the club, the player swings the club to the right by a roll of the forearm, supplementing this action with a wrist turn which carries the club in a sharp arc upward. The down-swing is made by reversing this process, swinging the club down and ahead by a forearm twist, then bending the left wrist to complete



the stroke. Employ a light club at first for this exercise, increasing the weight as one gains in strength and proficiency.

Next Article:—Don't Dash Club Down.

last meeting, is expected to keep the family flag flying amongst the seniors this year.

The school's softball team will also be considerably weakened as a result of these departures, for Yvonne Yolle was best batting, as well as fielding, performer last season, while Jackie Anderson was the team's heaviest slugger. Jeanne Yolle also played well in the field.

The soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club are holding their annual meeting on August 30.

Pui Ngai Recreation Club, who were admitted to Third Division of Football League, was founded by employees of the cotton goods factories in Kowloon. To date they have done well in basketball, volleyball and in the miniature football League.

## KID ANDRE COMEBACK IN SHANGHAI

News received from Shanghai is to the effect that Kid Andre, one time leading contender for the light-heavyweight boxing title of China, will be making a comeback at the Candrome on August 10, when, in the tournament sponsored by Shanghai Sports Association, he will be in opposition to "Yam" Yamolovich, one of the best scrappers, at that weight, in the Northern city to-day.

Indications are that those in charge of the Shanghai Sports Association are planning their future boxing programme on an elaborate scale, and they already have in the offing a fight for the light-heavyweight championship of the Orient between Nicki Wan and "Kayo" Tihanoff.

### Whither Hong Kong?

As a Shanghai sports writer so aptly puts it, "things are certainly looking up in Cauliflower Row" in that city where, in sharp contrast to Hong Kong, boxing not only enjoys a big following, but where even the most inexperienced of boxers are given every encouragement at the slightest sign of promise.

Boxing in Hong Kong died a natural death with the winding up of Hong Kong Boxing Association some years ago, and for some time now the only boxing that followers of that sport have enjoyed are the Army tournaments, but these are too few and far between. As a result of this complete lack of interest in boxing here, some of the most promising youngsters, "Young" Aromin and "Iron" Bux Jnr., to name only two, have had to be content with "shadow boxing" for some three or four years.

"Battling" Rio, who was so keen on the game, left the Colony to seek laurels in Malaya, and reports received in the Colony from time to time appear to bear out Rio's contention that if a Hong Kong boxer wants action and opportunity, his best bet is to leave the Colony.

Rio won the middleweight title of Java, and the welterweight championship of the Orient.

He is the second Hong Kong-born boxer to have won a Far Eastern title; "Iron" Bux, father of "Iron" Bux Jnr., being the first when he won the lightweight championship of the Orient some 25 years ago. He also won every title in the Philippines, from bantamweight to middleweight at one time or another.

Johnny Knollis, American's leading ground-gainer as a Croighton University back last Autumn, has signed to play pro football with Pittsburgh Steelers, but many become a marine officer.

Major Frank Hogg, popular veterinarian surgeon of Hong Kong Jockey Club, has gone to Australia on a short holiday. He will be back in the Colony in about two months' time.

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# JAPANESE NORTHERN TROOP MOVEMENTS

## Attack On Siberia Still Believed Unlikely

### Japan's Observers In Russia Praise

#### SOVIET HOLD ANOTHER VIEW

An early Japanese move against Siberia is believed likely by Soviet well-informed circles in Shanghai which are of opinion that should anything happen in Indo-China it would be in the nature of a smoke-screen for activities on the Manchurian border.—Reuter.

#### SOUTH AFRICA TO ADOPT THE "V"

General Smuts has appealed to South Africa to adopt the "V" sign as its own.

"Tortured peoples of Europe," he said, "have suddenly and spontaneously accepted the 'V' as a symbol of their release from their agony. It has spread to America

#### Red Army

DESPITE REPORTS of Japanese troop movements northwards from China in the direction of Outer Mongolia and Siberia, well-informed Washington circles do not believe Japan intends any immediate attack on Siberia.

It is felt she is more likely to make a move to establish herself more firmly in Indo-China, to be ready for any future promising developments.

It is similarly believed that such troop-moving north is in conformity with the policy of watchful waiting in readiness to strike should Russia completely collapse before the German onslaught and should this result in the breakdown of the Russian Far Eastern Army.

Japan, however, does not appear to expect such a collapse. Only first-hand accounts of the Russian fighting to reach Washington comes from the Far East, Japanese military attaches being the only foreign military people allowed to visit the Russian front.

Their reports, it is credibly stated in Washington, reflect admiration for the manner in which the Red Army is being

—everywhere it is the expression of the people's firm confidence in our victory.—Reuter.

used, adding it holds the line as long as possible and withdraws in reasonable order and then attacks the German flanks and often the rear as well. Japanese observers are quoted as saying these movements are "beautifully executed."

#### Fighting Force

While they are said to express the belief that Leningrad and Kiev will be occupied and the Germans will eventually reach Moscow, they are stated to hold the view that the bulk of the Red Army will withdraw as a fighting force to the east of the Soviet capital.—Reuter.

### GERMANS BOGGING DOWN

Turkish military experts consider it unlikely that Germany will want to create a new front before having materially reduced Russian resistance, according to the Ankara correspondent of the Independent French Agency.

There is growing scepticism in Ankara as to Germany's chances against Russia, even those Turks who had predicted the rapid collapse of the Russian front now being reserved in their opinions.

The statement by the German military attaché in Ankara, that the Russian campaign would be over in six weeks, which was at first given certain credence, is now the subject of ironical comment.

Although it is believed in Ankara the Germans would appear too deeply engaged in Russia for any action in the Near East to be feared, the correspondent says experts admit the situation might become critical again if the Germans were to reach the Caucasus before the end of August.

Military observers point out the German attack is being directed rather towards the Urals, as if the German High Command wanted first of all to eliminate the main Russian forces before facing the long lines of communication that an advance on the Caucasus would entail.—Reuter.

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#### RED ARMY HOLDS SMOLENSK

(Continued from Page 1)  
plant were destroyed or severely damaged.

#### Pitkaranta Claim

A Finnish communique claims that Finnish troops have occupied and passed Pitkaranta in their advance north-east of Lake Ladoga, according to a Helsinki telegram to the official Italian news agency.—Reuter.

#### Soviet Communique

The following communique was issued by the Soviet Information Bureau last night:—

"On July 22 our forces were engaged in heavy fighting on Petra Zavodsk, Porkhov, Smolensk and Zhitomir directions. There were no essential changes in the position of our troops on the front. On July 22, our aircraft brought down 87 enemy planes. We lost 14 planes.

"According to supplementary information 22 German bombers were brought down in an attempt to make a mass raid on Moscow on the night of July 21.

#### Nazi Losses

These losses must be considered very great under the conditions of a night raid. Scattered and demoralised by our night fighters and anti-aircraft guns, German planes dropped most of their bombs in woods and fields outside Moscow.

"Not a single military target was touched nor was any damage done to municipal enterprises.

"Mention should be made of the splendid service rendered by the Fire Brigade, Militia and also by the Moscow population, who quickly extinguished incendiary bombs dropped on the city by individual planes which broke through, and also quickly got fires under control." — Reuter.

Anti-British posters were posted on walls and pillars in the course of the black-out exercise in Kowloon, the "China Mail" learned to-day.

Some were found posted in Boundary Street, some near the Gas Company works in Yaumati and some near the Indian Police Quarters in the same district.

The posters were in the Chinese language and it was learned that similar posters have been discovered previously.

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## Stubborn Battles In Progress

### DAYLIGHT SWEEP BY R.A.F.

A daylight R.A.F. attack on shipbuilding yards on the Seine and extensive sweeps over Northern France yesterday were reported in an Air Ministry communique.

The communique said that early in the afternoon Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command escorted by fighters attacked shipbuilding yards at Le Trait, on the Seine, west of Rouen.

Bursts were seen on sheds and slipways and the target was left hidden in smoke.

Our fighters also carried out extensive sweeps over Northern France.

In the course of these operations four enemy fighters were destroyed. Our losses were three fighters.—Reuter.

### Nazi And Soviet Reports Flatly Contradictory

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FLATLY CONTRADICTORY PICTURES OF EVENTS ALONG RUSSIA'S EXTENSIVE BATTLEFRONT CONTINUE TO BE PRESENTED BY GERMAN AND SOVIET VERSIONS OF EVENTS, BUT IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT SMOLENSK IS STILL IN SOVIET HANDS, THOUGH PANZER UNITS MAY HAVE WORKED ROUND ITS FLANKS.

#### JAPANESE IMPOSE CENSORSHIP

In Washington yesterday President Roosevelt announced that the Japanese had imposed censorship of radio and cable communication, says Reuter.

Yesterday was quieter on the northern sector, where the Russians are firmly holding the German thrust along the shore of Lake Peipus, but there was heavy fighting on the northern wing of the central front, round Polotsk and Nevel and towards Smolensk.

A stubborn battle is still in progress in the direction of Novograd-Volinsk, where the danger seems, at the moment, less to Kiev than from a German attempt to work down the Dnieper, imperilling the Russian positions in Bessarabia.

Berlin makes no specific claims to achievements, beyond the capture of Lieutenant Jakob Jugashvili, son of Stalin. DNB; in its usual vein, claims the "destruction of six Red divisions" says that the main defence is plunged into a "severe crisis" and adds that the "second battle of annihilation is approaching its zenith."

"Izvestia," in Moscow, carries details of an action behind the Russian main lines in which an advanced German tank column was exterminated after a fourteen hour battle in which the Germans lost 39 tanks.

An earlier official bulletin announced that Soviet troops and planes had halted the German offensives in the three main fighting zones, adding that stubborn fighting continued in the central and Ukraine sectors.—International News Service.

#### German Communique

Yesterday's German High Command communique states that "breaching operations of the German army, in conjunction with their allies, have divided the Soviet defence front into unco-ordinated groups."

"Despite tough local resistance and obstinate counter-attacks, no co-ordinated leadership of the enemy is now recognizable."

"On the whole eastern front the defeat and annihilation of isolated groups of Soviet forces is continuing ceaselessly."

#### Moscow Raid

"As reprisal for Bolshevik air raids on the open capitals of Bucharest and Helsinki, the Luftwaffe on Monday night made their first attack on Moscow."

"In a series of waves 12 bombs or formations bombed military

### AMERICA AND FAR EAST

Any hostile move against Singapore or any country in the Pacific will be regarded as a hostile move against America and action may be taken, declared Mr. Ralph Ingersoll, publisher of the New York journal "P.M."

He has arrived in Singapore bound for Chungking and on his way to Moscow, where he will interview M. Stalin and report on the Russo-German war.

He added that Americans hoped very much that Japan would remain peaceful in the Pacific.

"I doubt that America will let anyone except herself move into Singapore," Mr. Ingersoll said and went on to describe President Roosevelt's message to Congress as "a step nearer the inevitable but the more action the President takes the better, in view of the fact that America must do everything to prevent a Hitler victory."

Mr. Ingersoll was quite cheerful about the Russian situation.—Reuter.

#### CALL-UP OF MORE WOMEN

All women born in 1916 will register at the offices of the Ministry of Labour on August 2, it was announced in London last night.—British Wireless.

### SIGNIFICANT STEP BY JAPAN

IN ANNOUNCING at his press conference yesterday that the Japanese Government had just established a censorship over radio and cable communication, President Roosevelt declined to express any view on Japanese intentions.

He refused to say whether he expected any new aggressive move by Japan in the near future, referring the question of that subject to the State Department.

When asked whether he regarded the censorship step as significant, the President replied in the affirmative, but declined to elaborate along that line.

Just as the reporters were filing into the White House for the conference, the President's naval aide-de-camp handed President Roosevelt a copy of a despatch which had just arrived in Washington at the Navy Department, telling of the establishment of the censorship.

Afterwards, the President told the Press "Maybe, there might be new steps." Asked to amplify, he replied: "Maybe covers the situation."—Reuter.

for Foreign Affairs, who gave Sir Robert Craigie, our Ambassador, most categorical assurances regarding the purity of Japanese intentions in Indo-China, has been relieved of office at his own request.—Reuter.

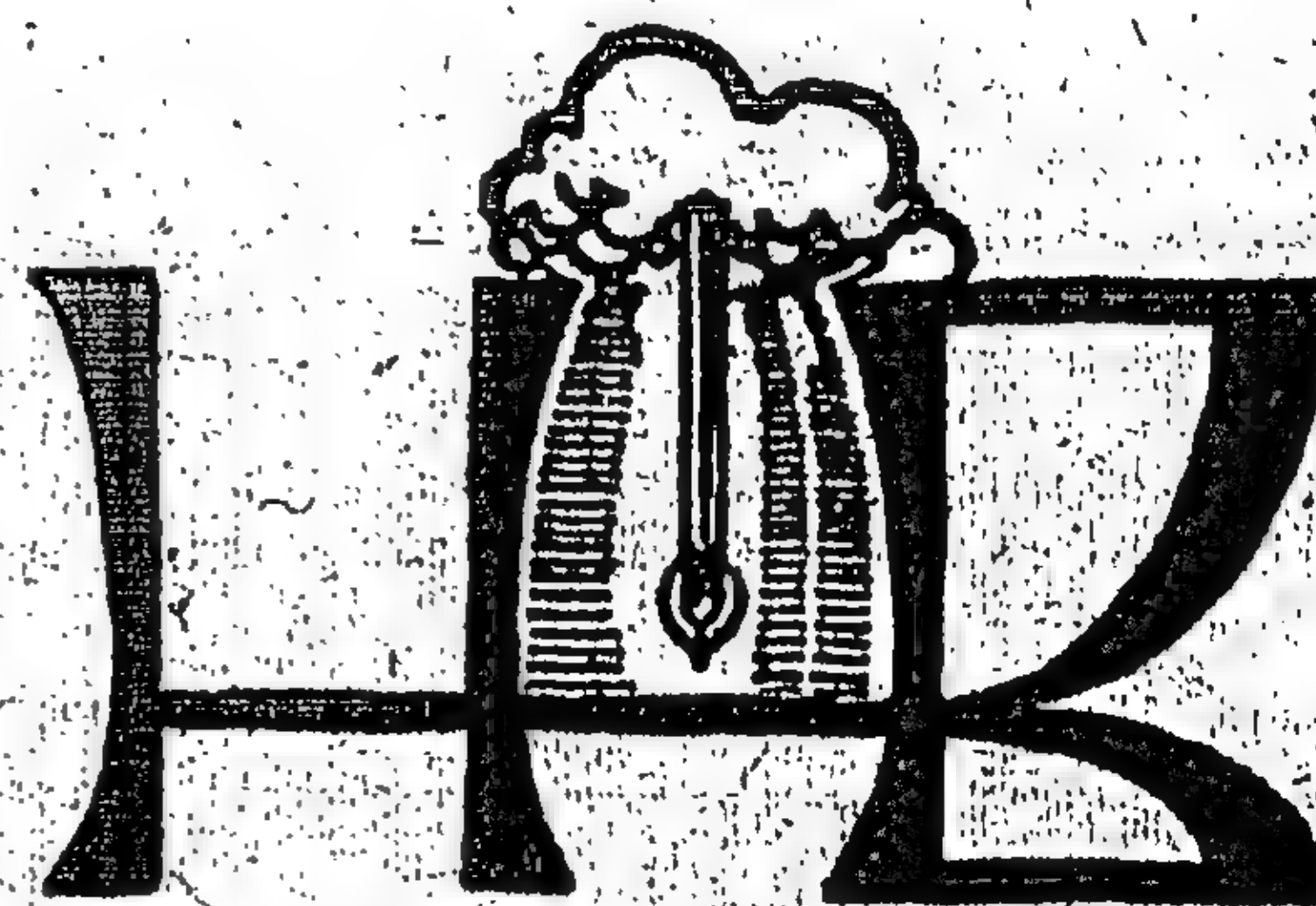
### Rumours Cause Disquiet

(BY REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)

There is no definite news from the Far East in authoritative quarters in London but it is significant that disquieting rumours regarding Japanese intentions concerning Indo-China continue notwithstanding the Japanese Cabinet changes.

In this regard it is noteworthy that Mr. Onishi, Vice-Minister

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# American Loan To Britain Given Wall Street Blessing

## ITALIAN TRAIN SMASH

Italy's second train smash in three days occurred near Naples yesterday morning, states a Rome despatch. Two trains collided in the station at Baies. Hitherto 12 injured people have been dug out of the wreckage.—Reuter.

## Substantial Backing

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF AN AMERICAN LOAN TO BRITAIN, MADE OVER THE RADIO EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING IN WASHINGTON, SURPRISED MOST PEOPLE BUT IS NOT EXPECTED TO AROUSE ANYTHING BUT APPROVAL.**

It is increasingly realised by the average person that in the interests of world economy in general and America particularly, that Britain is essential as a going business concern and that unless she can earn she cannot buy.

The spirit in evidence before the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill amongst those who opposed that Bill — that Britain should be given nothing until investments on the American side of the Atlantic are liquidated — has disappeared and the present loan is likely to assume the appearance of an act between allied concerns which are in business with a single objective — the destruction of Nazism.

Amongst the few businessmen contacted early yesterday morning the first reaction was that it is a far more sensible arrangement to lend money against such excellent collateral than to ruin the market by dumping securities in order to liquidate them for ready cash.

### Rally On Market

Removal of a huge volume of British-owned American securities from the market as loan collateral provided an added stimulus yesterday to yesterday morning's rally of the New York Stock Exchange, although announcement of the loan had been expected for some time.

Wall Street welcomes the removal of the possibility of additional forced liquidations which has been one of the numerous threats hanging over the market in the last several months.—Reuter.

## D.N.B. ON MOSCOW RAID

First German mention of a Nazi air raid on Moscow was made early yesterday afternoon, the official news agency reporting that bomber and dive-bomber formations caused great destruction.

In a series of raids lasting from early night till dawn, German squadrons dropped high explosives of all calibres and thousands of incendiary bombs on targets of military importance. In Moscow, extensive fires being observed south of the River Moskva.

According to a report 12 explosions were observed near the Kremlin, the Germans likening the raid to the "heaviest dealt on targets of military importance in Britain."—Reuter.

Neutrals in Moscow stated that little damage was to be seen. The Moscow High Command claimed that few raiders got through the defences.



The shortage of cigarettes in England and the talk of a possible ban on "smokes for women" has not worried this young City typist. She has solved the problem by making her own cigarettes.

## "V" LIGHTS SEEN BY BRITISH NIGHT RAIDERS

LIGHTS IN THE SHAPE of "V's" were seen by R.A.F. pilots while over France, Holland and Belgium on Monday night, stated the Air Ministry News Service in London yesterday.

Reports to this effect by one of the British crews on their return from France was at first received with a sceptical smile by their interrogation officer. But other crews had also seen this and other "V's" both in France and the Low Countries.

The crews said that they were not anything like the lights of an aerodrome. One "V" was made by white lights enclosed in circles of red lights and another by five yellow lights in each arm. They varied from between 12 and 50 feet in length but a "V" in Belgium seemed about 100 yards long and made continuous lines of light, "like a neon sign" as the pilot said who reported it.

Describing Monday night's raids on Germany, the Air Ministry News Service stated that a strong force of aircraft did great execution among industrial buildings in Frankfurt-on-Main and Mannheim. An important railway yard was the focus of the attack at Frankfurt which is one of the chief commercial centres of Germany and a strategic point on

great trade routes between the north and the south.

### Heavy Fires

The crew of one aircraft said that they saw an explosion which destroyed a large building. Many fires in the railway yard were reported, as well. Elsewhere in the town and especially in the neighbourhood of the main railway station there were large and well-established fires burning among clouds of smoke.

At Mannheim, glimpses of the town led the first few of the British crews to attack and so there were a good many fires burning to guide their successors. Industrial areas both at Mannheim and in its suburb of Ludwigshafen across the Rhine were vigorously bombed. A flash from one of the most powerful British bombs lit up an aircraft flying at well over 12,000 feet.—Reuter.



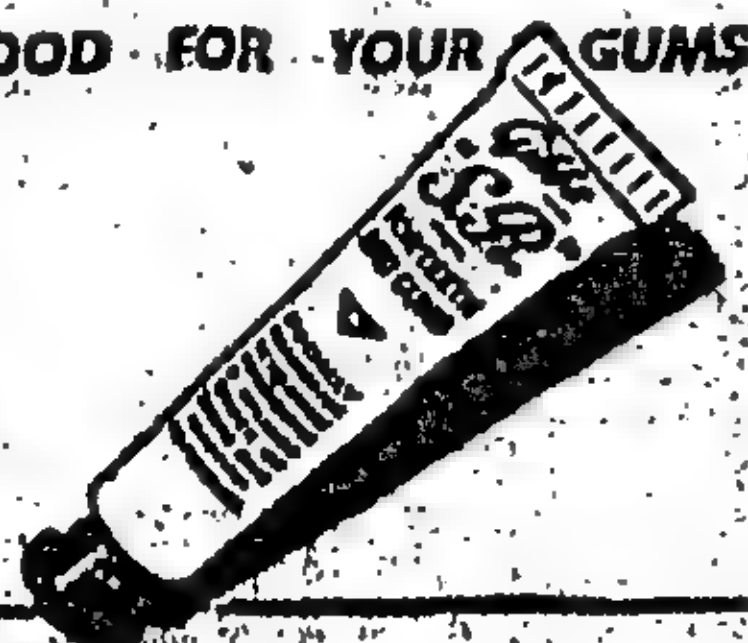
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# ATTEMPT TO CUT BURMA ROAD

## Chinese Visualise Attack From Indo-China

### SHARP GERMAN NOTE TO BOLIVIA

Authoritative quarters in Berlin state that the German Government yesterday sent a sharp note of protest to the Bolivian Government on its behaviour to the German Minister there, states the official German News Agency.—Reuter.

### WOUNDED WAR PRISONERS

An account of the progress of negotiations with enemy Powers for the exchange of badly wounded prisoners was sought in the House of Commons yesterday at question-time.

Mr. Richard Law, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said that proposals for repatriation by means of hospital or other suitable ships were made last year by the British Government, but were not accepted by the German Government.

A counter-proposal for repatriation from neutral countries by ambulance aircraft had, however, recently been received from Berlin.

While, for practical reasons, the British Government had been unable to accept it in the form in which it had been made, they had made an alternative suggestion which they hoped would be acceptable to the German Government.

Meanwhile, the governments of those neutral countries with whose cooperation it was hoped that the scheme could be put into effect were being approached.

### Italian Discussions

Negotiations with Italy were not necessarily so far advanced as in the case of Germany in view of the fact that no large numbers of prisoners were in question until this year.

Medical commissions, said Mr. Law, should soon be functioning in Italy, the Middle East and India, with a view to selecting those entitled to repatriation. Meanwhile, the means by which repatriation would be effected were under discussion.—Reuter.

### EFFECT OF U.S. BLACK LIST

Asked whether he thought the black-listing of 1800 firms and individuals in Latin America by the United States prevented further danger of German infiltration, President Roosevelt said he would not go so far as to say that and then answered with the word: Maybe.

He said he knew of no pending action by the administration to get the Mexican Government and oil companies together on the issue of the expropriated oilfields. He also said he had no information regarding the possibility that another hundred oil tankers would be transferred to Britain.—Reuter.

## To Precede Expansion Activity

THE POSSIBILITY THAT JAPAN MAY SHORTLY LAUNCH A NEW DRIVE IN AN ATTEMPT TO CUT THE BURMA ROAD WHILE AWAITING CLARIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION BEFORE DECIDING ON A NORTH OR SOUTH EXPANSION, IS BEING DISCUSSED IN CHUNGKING.

The present Japanese negotiations with Indo-China are probably connected with the forthcoming drive since Japan is expected to use Indo-China as a base for attack.

Chinese opinion further contends that Japan may push northward from Laokay along the railway towards Kunming or westward into Burma or both.

JAPANESE TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM VARIOUS FRONTS IN CHINA, AND THE SIGHTING OF A JAPANESE CONVOY MOVING SOUTH FROM CANTON, ARE ATTRACTING CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION HERE.

### Sumita's Call

The head of the Japanese military mission in Indo-China, Major-General Sumita, called on Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China, last evening for a talk lasting an hour, according to a Hanoi telegram to Tokyo.

Another meeting is expected today which will be the third on successive days.

Absolutely no details have been vouchsafed regarding the outcome of the discussions and it is understood that General Sumita is now awaiting fresh instructions from Tokyo.—Reuter.

### Singapore Broadcast

Reports that the British were contemplating some form of unspecified action in Indo-China were categorically denied in a statement read both in English and French over the Singapore radio last night.

The statement hinted that the Japanese circulated these rumours as an attempt to justify Japanese action in that country. It ran:—

"Well-informed quarters in Singapore are much surprised by rumours of impending British action in Indo-China. In fact there is no question of any such action, and it is considered the rumours were possibly being circulated to pave the way for action by Japan.

"An attempt may be made to justify the new Japanese demands on Indo-China by a bogey British intervention. The British policy in Indo-China has consistently been to assist to maintain the integrity of that country against any interference from outside.

### Vichy Pressure

"To this end the British have striven to maintain normal trading relations with Indo-China and refrained from encouraging any attempts to undermine the position of the authorities there. It is realised that strong pressure has been brought to bear on General Decoux from Vichy and it is hoped he will be able to resist it. "Britain will certainly do nothing, and has done nothing, to increase Indo-China's difficulties."—Reuter.

tion regarding the possibility that another hundred oil tankers would be transferred to Britain.—Reuter.

## No Break Yet With Finland

After careful consideration the British Government has decided at present to maintain diplomatic relations with Finland.

It has at the same time left the Finnish Government in no doubt that this decision to continue may at any time be reversed in the light of events.

This announcement was made by Lord Snell in the House of Lords yesterday afternoon.

Lord Snell intimated that the issue of navicerts for goods destined to Finland had ceased and that no facilities were being given for ships to proceed to Finland.—Reuter.

## HEAVY RAID ON NAPLES

Large fires and explosions were caused in Naples harbour during an attack by the R.A.F. on Sunday night.

Yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communique announcing this fact states that heavy bombers attacked Naples harbour and railway sidings in the vicinity on the night of July 20/21.

The first bombs dropped on the target caused large fires and these were subsequently enlarged by bombs from later aircraft.

The fires were accompanied by explosions.

During the same night heavy bombers again attacked the docks and installations at Benghazi, causing fires and explosions on moles.

All our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

## COST OF LIVING SHOWS A FALL

A slight drop in the cost of living is reported by the Ministry of Labour.

On July 1, the official index was 99 points above the level of July, 1914, as compared with 100 points on May 31, 1941.

For food alone, the index figures were 67 points above the 1914 level.—British Wireless.

### EAST AFRICAN CONQUEST REVELATIONS

General Cunningham's force in East Africa did not exceed 20,000 infantry and 68 guns, it was officially announced in Nairobi yesterday, but they defeated Italian forces numbering 170,000, including 96,000 infantry and 400 guns.—Reuter.

### RAID ON THE SUEZ CANAL

An air raid was carried out on the Suez Canal area early yesterday morning, the Egyptian Ministry of Interior announces. A few bombs were dropped, causing no casualties and only slight damage.

## SALE OF OIL TO JAPAN

The sale of oil to Japan was the subject of a question in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Gallagher.

He asked whether the oil agreement made in 1940, whereby the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company was to sell one million barrels of oil to Japan is still in operation and what were the figures for oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East in 1941.

Mr. R. K. Law, new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he had been informed by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company that the contract referred to was not now in operation.

He further understood that no oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East had taken place in 1941.—Reuter.

The alarm was also sounded in other parts of the Nile Delta.—Reuter.

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# INDIANS AGREE TO JOIN VICEROY'S NEW WAR CABINET

A WHITE PAPER ON "INDIA AND THE WAR," PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY BY MR. L. M. AMERY, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA, GIVES DETAILS OF THE PROPOSALS UNDER WHICH INDIANS ARE TO BE ABSORBED IN THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND MORE INDIANS ARE TO HOLD PORTFOLIOS IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

It is hoped by this means to augment and consolidate India's war effort and it has the backing of most influential groups of Indian opinion.

The new members of the Executive Council are as representative of and as responsive to public opinion as the refusal of the Congress Party and the Muslim League to cooperate makes possible.

The White Paper announced a decision to enlarge the Executive Council in order to permit of the separation of the portfolios of Law and Supply and of Commerce and Labour, and the division of the present portfolios of education, health and lands, into separate portfolios of Education, Health and Lands and Indians Overseas, and also the creation of portfolios of Information and Civil Defence.

The Viceroy has also succeeded in securing cooperation in the establishment of a National Defence Council of distinguished and representative Indians in British India and the rulers of the Indian States.

## A War Cabinet

Though no constitutional change is involved in these announcements and the enlarged Executive Council will not be responsible to the Legislature, the Viceroy will now have what, to all intents and purposes, is a War Cabinet with a marked majority of Indian public men instead of the former European and official majority.

Authoritative quarters recall that in various statements made on behalf of the British Government since the outbreak of war, it has been made clear that constitutional changes in India are quite impracticable while the British Empire is engaged in a vital struggle for its existence and that an agreement between the major political parties and interests in India is a fundamental condition of the consideration of any new constitutional scheme.

## Door Left Open

It was last summer, following many attempts to ease political tension in India, and to bring Indian public opinion into close contact with the central government in the conduct of the war that the Viceroy formulated proposals for the extension of his Council and for setting up what was then described as a War Advisory Council.

For a number of reasons, these proposals were found to be unacceptable by the major political parties in India, but it was made clear by the Viceroy that the Government would leave the door open for acceptance of such a plan as soon as a sufficient degree of representative support was forthcoming.

## Politics Unchanged

During the intervening months, all endeavours of the Viceroy were directed towards finding a way in which Indian public opinion could be brought more intimately into association with the administration in all matters connected with the war effort.

There is nothing to indicate at present that political conditions in India are on the way towards being bridged. Whitehall points out that the Viceroy waited for no less than 11 months since the offer to political parties in India to enter Government before extending invitations to the individuals he has now called to the service of their country.

## Ready To Cooperate

Nevertheless, the creating of a National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community which

are ready to cooperate. There are 22 representatives of British India on the Council.

Representatives of the Indian States will, all of them, be Princes with the possible exception of Hyderabad.

The National Defence Council will meet at intervals under the Chairmanship of the Viceroy and the Council will on each occasion receive a confidential statement on the war position and of the position in regard to supply.

## New Members

The new Member for Supply is Sir Hormasji Peroshaw Mody, member of the Central Legislative Assembly. He was chairman of the Bombay Millowners Association and is director of the famous Iron and Steel firm of Tatas and Chairman of the Central Bank of India.

The Member for Information is Sir Akbar Hydari. He is a Privy Councillor and until recently was President of Nizam of Hyderabad's Executive Council. He was the leader of Hyderabad's State Delegation to the three Round Table Conferences in London.

Member for Civil Defence is Mr. Iraghavendra Rao. He was acting Governor of the Central Provinces in 1936 and has twice been a Minister in the Central Provinces Government of which he was appointed Home Member in 1930.

Member for Labour is Sir Firoz-khan Noon, High Commissioner

## ARMISTICE CONTROL IN SYRIA

Major-General John Chrystall has been appointed chairman of the Armistice Control Commission in Syria.

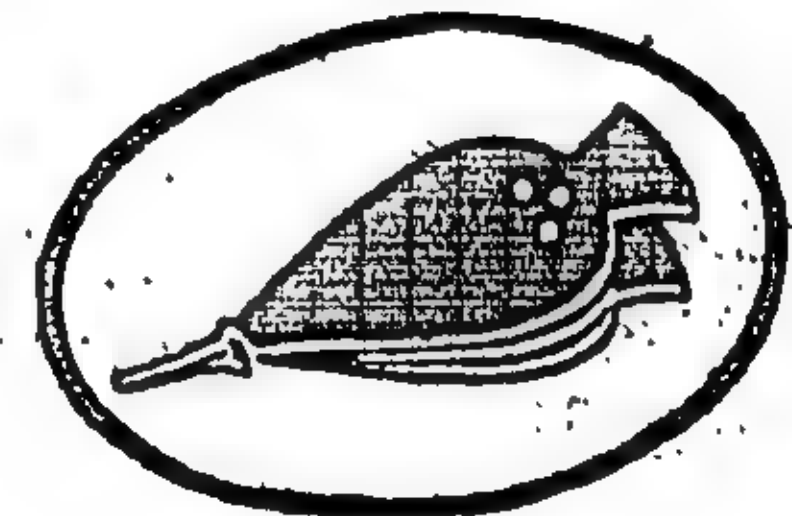
Chief Vichy representative is General de Verdillac, who was principal Vichy delegate during the armistice negotiations. — Reuter.

for India in London, who has only very recently returned from an extensive tour of the United States.

Member for Indians Overseas is Mr. Madhau Shrihari Aney. He is a member of the Legislative Assembly for Berar and was acting President of the Indian Congress Party in 1933 and a member of the working Committee until 1934.

The new Law Member is Sir Sultan Ahmed, Advocate-General of Bihar. The new Member for Education, Health and Land, is Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar, ex-Finance Minister of the Bengal Government.

The creation of the National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community which are ready to cooperate and answer the insistent demand for something of this kind.—Reuter.



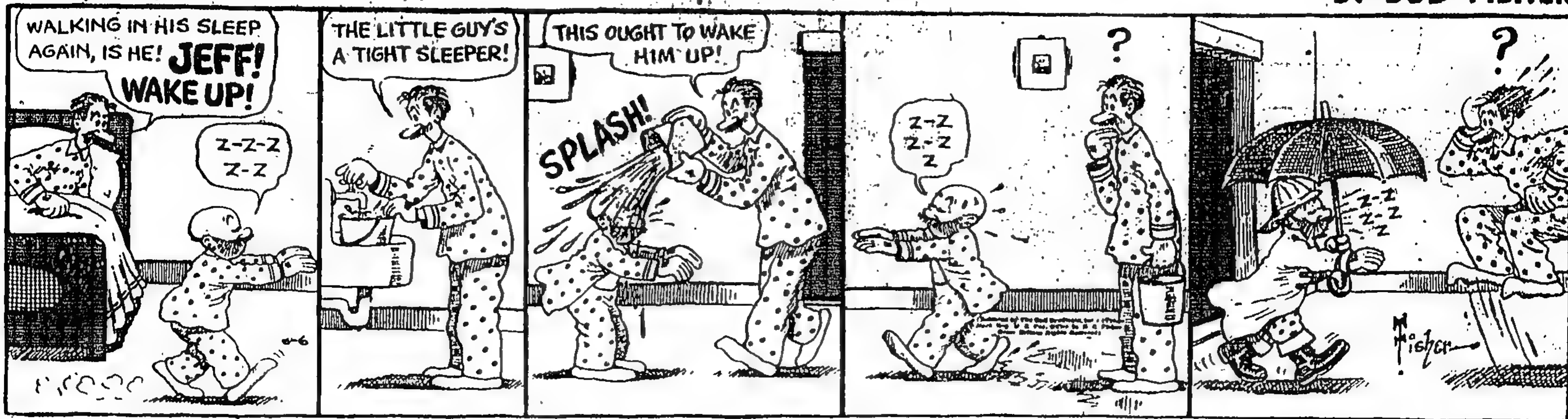
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## GANDHI UNMOVED BY ACTION

THE MAHATMA GANDHI, IN AN INTERVIEW AT WARDHA, TOLD REUTER THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE EXPANSION OF THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL DEFENCE COUNCIL DOES NOT AFFECT THE STAND TAKEN BY CONGRESS, NOR DOES IT MEET THE CONGRESS DEMAND.

Replying to a further question, he said: "I can at once say that I have no authority to prevent members of the All-India Congress Committee from doing anything they wish to do."

"The authority given me by that Committee does not permit my interference with the fullest freedom of its members, and in any case the body that gave me authority can, at any time, refuse it or withdraw it." - Reuter.

MR. L. AMERY, Secretary of State for India, in London last night described those who had joined the Viceroy's Executive Council as a "team of ability and experience which it would be difficult to rival in India, or indeed elsewhere."

They were, he declared, men with administrative, political and business experience and personal ability. The Viceroy's War Cabinet would be a very much stronger body for their inclusion.

They would, in the fullest sense, share in the collective responsibility and the statutory responsibility of the Executive Council, as well as direct the important departments which had been entrusted to them.

The aim, said Mr. Amery, was to increase the efficiency of the Government and to make full use of the vast and hitherto insufficiently tapped reservoir of Indian ability and patriotism. The measures, "marking a change in the spirit, if not in the letter of India's Constitution" were an earnest of the British Government's desire to transfer to Indian hands a steadily increasing share in India's destiny.

## Not "Yes Men"

"The National Defence Council will be very far from being a

body of 'yes men'," said Mr. Amery. At a meeting of the Council, members would be told in confidence of the affairs which they would discuss with the Viceroy and in turn put forward their own suggestions. After the meeting they would return to their own provinces and confer with their representatives.

In this way it was hoped there would be continual contact between the Viceroy and his executive on the one hand, and Provincial or State Government, local war committees and war committees or industrial organisations on the other.

## Common Interest

Mr. Amery thought that ought to prove most helpful in guiding and stimulating India's war effort. "I cannot help hoping, that in the course of working together side by side, in the common interest of India's safety and India's future, representatives in these bodies of men of every political complexion and community will be drawn closer. I hope they will find bonds of mutual understanding and sympathy that may immensely facilitate the solution of those very difficult inter-communal and inter-Party problems which are to-day the main obstacle to India's attainment of her rightful position as a free and equal member in the British Commonwealth."

## Twenty-Two Named

Twenty-two representatives from British India on the Defence Council have been named. Representatives of the Indian States will all be Princes with the possible exception of Hyderabad and the Viceroy has invited them to sit in rotation of nine at each meeting.

British India representatives include one woman: the Begum Shah Nawaz, who was a member of the Round Table Conference and of the Joint Select Committee.—Reuter.

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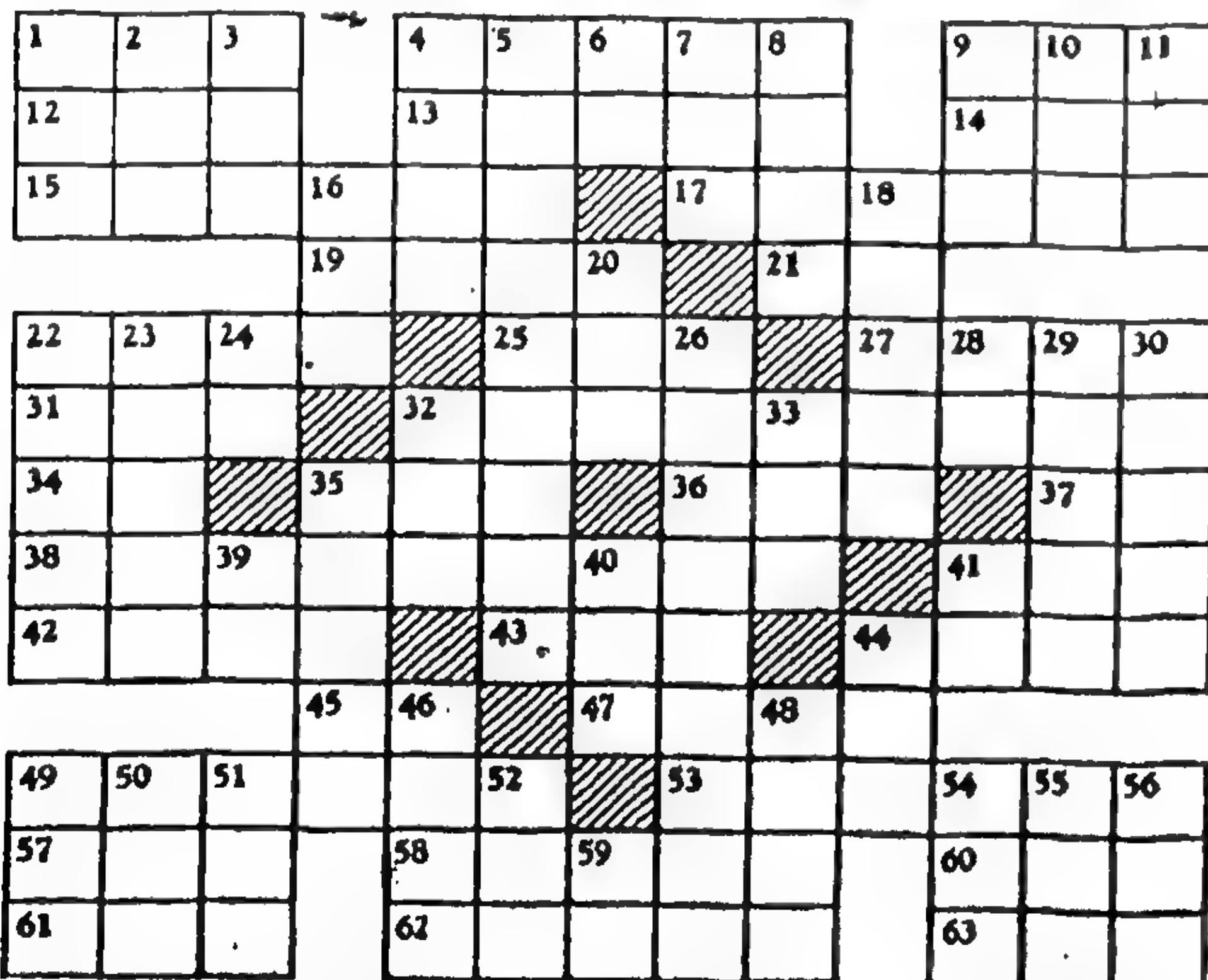
The question of securing the cooperation of Dominion cultural authorities in the work of the British Council was under active consideration, the Foreign Under-secretary stated in the Commons yesterday.—British Wireless.

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- 22 To cease
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- 32 Sleuth
- 34 Teutonic deity
- 35 Ocean
- 36 Deer
- 37 Man's nickname
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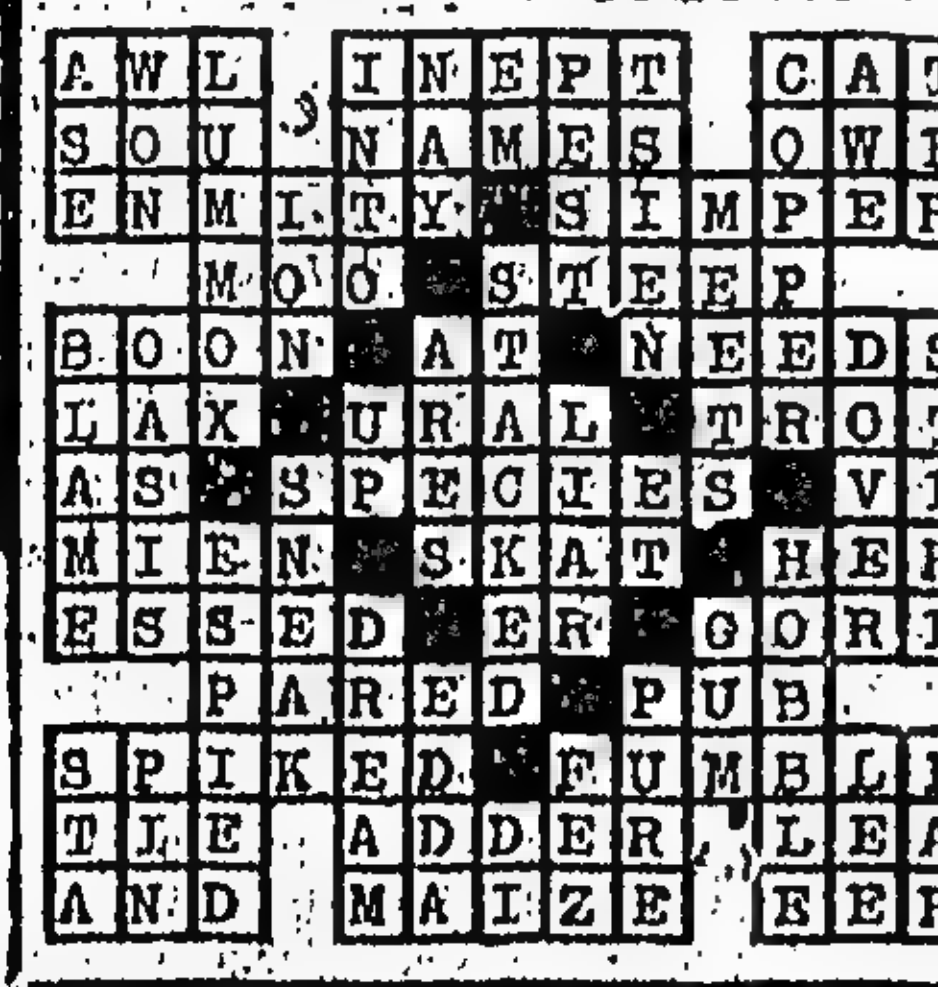
- 57 Chalice
- 58 To build
- 60 Swiss canton
- 61 To josh (coll.)
- 62 Affray
- 63 To devour

## VERTICAL

- 1 Newt
- 2 College cheer

- 3 Tropical bird
- 4 Irritates
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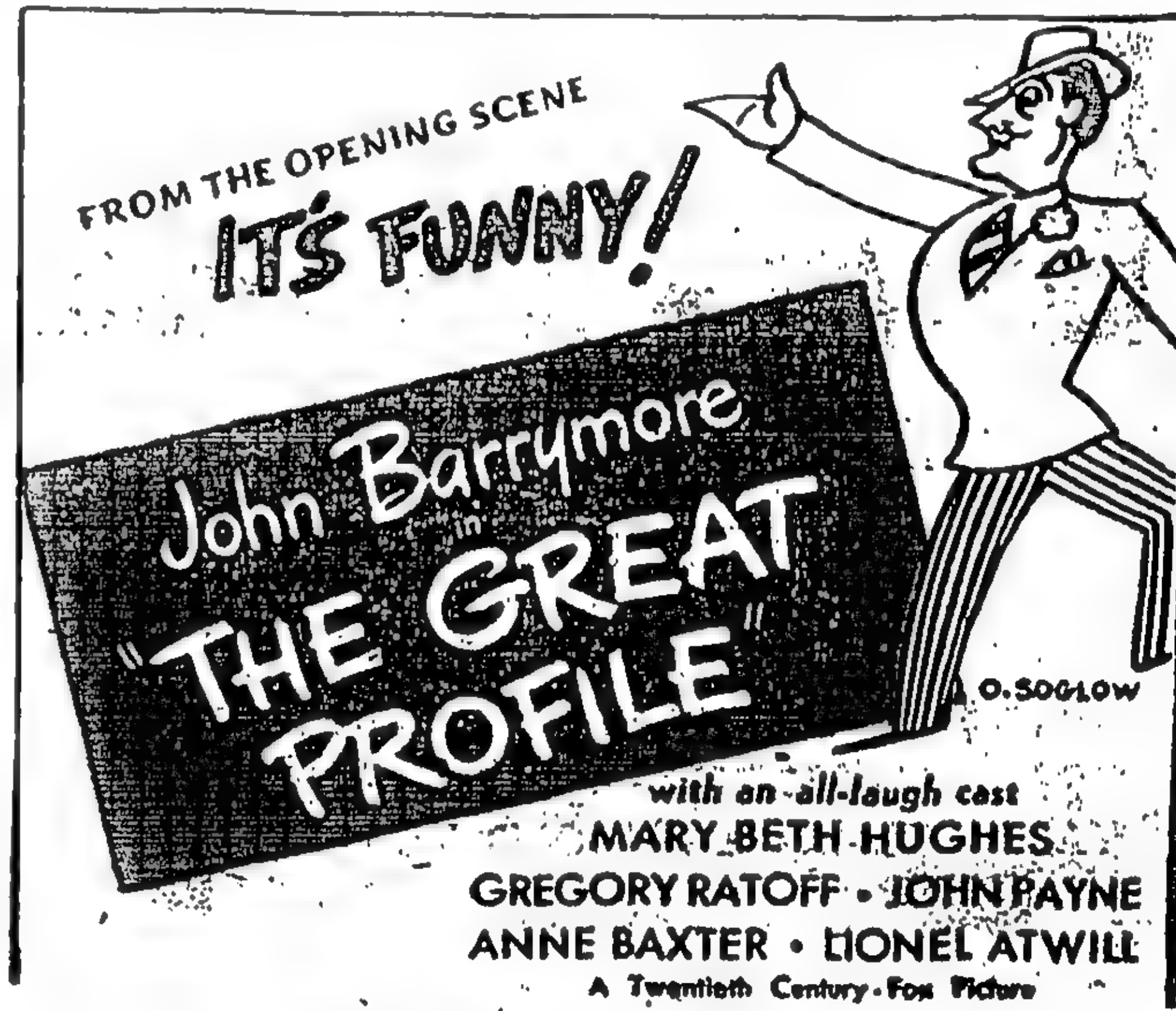
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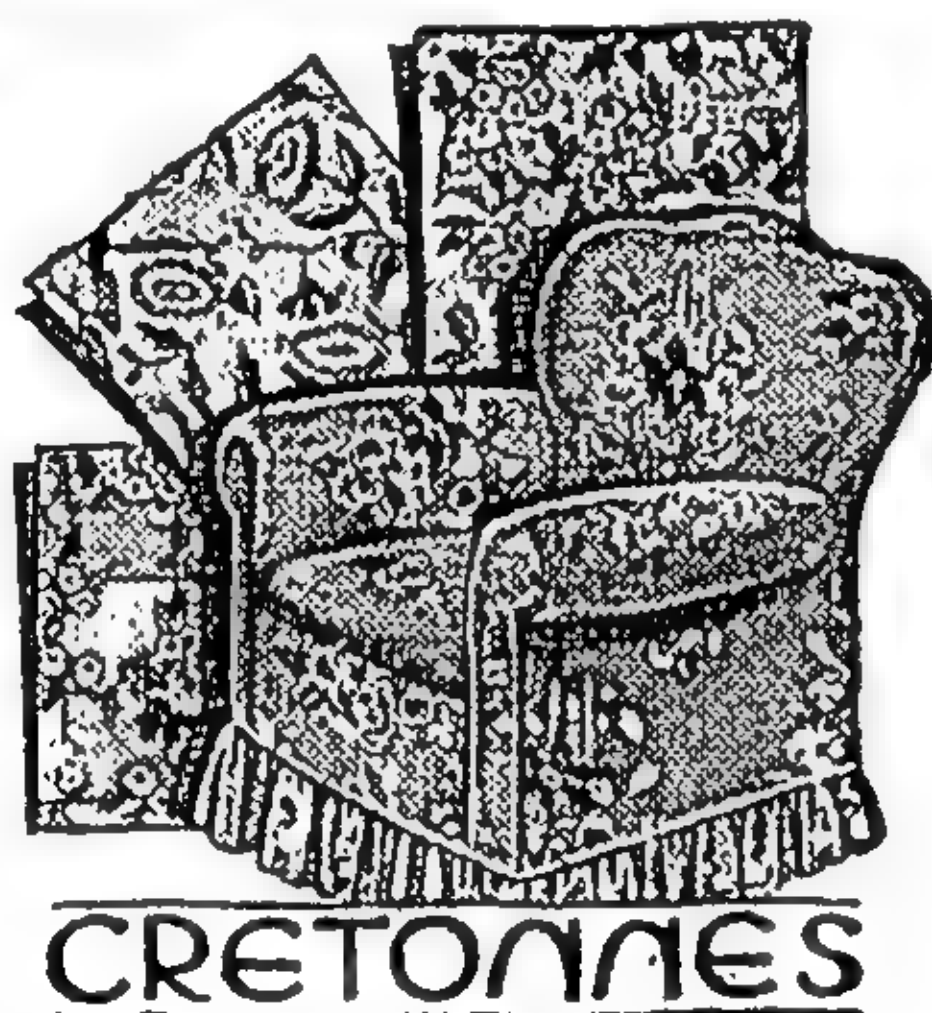
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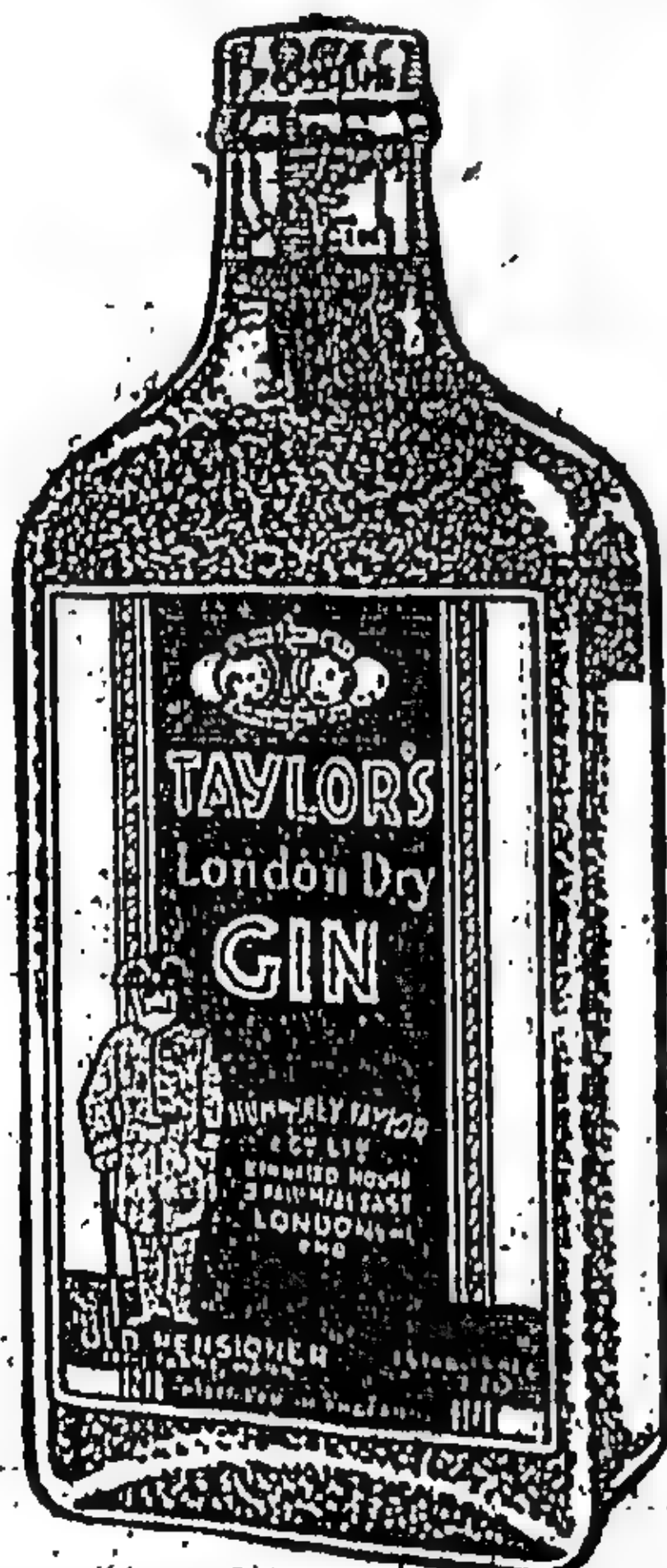


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# ARMS OUTPUT OFFERS CHEER IN U.S.A.

TUESDAY, JULY 1, was a red-letter day, militarily and financially, in the United States, for it was the beginning of the government's fiscal year. The government opens a new set of books every July 1, and in the coming year it will be using more red ink than ever to build up the greatest American fighting machine in history.

Figures don't tell the whole story, but it is interesting to know that the government already has signed on the dotted line for \$19,000,000,000 in war-material contracts; that Congress has made available \$44,000,000,000 in appropriations and authorisations, and that spokesmen of the Office of Production Management estimate that the entire defence programme may cost in excess of \$100,000,000,000.

Taxpayers whose income assessments will be doubled or trebled to underwrite part of the astronomical expenditures may well ask: What are we getting in return? The answer is in the production of tanks, ships and machine tools and ordinance to show for the billions we are spending? They may take some satisfaction from an encouraging picture of defence production, as prepared for the July-August issue of "Army Ordnance," a semi-official publication sponsored by the Army Ordnance Association, which has access to all the military secrets fit to print.

The defence picture, as gathered from this and other sources, appears to be as follows: **TANKS**—Light (thirteen-ton) tanks are being produced at the rate of 150 a month. Medium (twenty-six-ton) tanks were redesigned to take advantage of the experience of the British and French armies in the Battle of Flanders. Production was delayed purposely to give machine tool priority to more critical military weapons. Quantity production of medium tanks is expected by late summer. The Army has six times as many light tanks on hand as it had a year ago.

### 1,500 'Planes Monthly

**AIRCRAFT**—Production of military aeroplanes is running at the rate of 1,500 a month which is nearly twice that of a year ago. This rate will be stepped up still further in the coming twelve months. Production during the year now ending was just short of 12,000.

Monthly production of major aeroplanes, exclusive of civilian light aircraft, from July, 1940 on, was as follows: July, 547; August, 586; September, 670; October, 742; November, 779; December, 900; January, 1,036; February, 972; March, 1,216; April, 1,427; May and June, (estimated) nearly 1,500 each. From this it will be seen that there has been a steady rise in production month after month except for last February, a short month, when there was a temporary drop due to a change-over of models, a shortage of materials and a number of strikes. The production increases for the last few months would be even larger were it not for the fact that the industry now is turning out more big bombers instead of smaller fighters, which are easier to build. In April, the last month for which official statistics are available, the actual production of strictly military planes was 1,376, or more than three times what it was in June, 1940.

Obviously, the aircraft industry has come a long way since March, 1940, when the monthly output was only 287. Within two years, by next March, the production rate may have been multiplied ten times. The present rate of 1,500 planes a month would indicate 18,000 in the coming year except that the rate is being expanded month by month, and a total of 80,000 in the approaching fiscal year does not seem impossible.

### Warships Production

WARSHIPS:	The following	On hand	On order	On order
	Jan. 1, 1941	May 1, 1941	May 1, 1941	May 1, 1941
Combatant Ships	1940	1941	1941	1941
Battleships	15	15	17	17
Aircraft Carriers	5	6	12	12
Cruisers	38	37	54	54
Destroyers	218	165	189	189
Submarines	87	109	78	78
Totals	359	332	359	359

\* Includes U.S.S. North Carolina and U.S.S. Washington, 35,000-ton dreadnaughts, which have been launched but have not yet joined the fleet.

These tables reflect the transfer of fifty destroyers to Great Britain in exchange for naval and air base site privileges. The number of combatant ships also was reduced by the reclassification of thirty destroyers as special-purpose vessels.

## SISTERS' SLANDER SUIT

Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, of Cork Street, W., brought an action for slander in the High Court against her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Knowles, of Syngate, Petham, Kent.

Mrs. Knowles was also sued for slander by Maj. John Henry Barcroft, of Cork Street, W., who complained that she had described him as a crook and had falsely alleged he had been "kicked out of the Army."

Mrs. Knowles denied having spoken the words of which the plaintiffs complained.

Mr. E. Ryder Richardson, for the plaintiffs, said Mrs. Knowles was the second wife of Mr. Robert Millington Knowles, brother of Mrs. Wilson.

For many years there had been a family concern, Gordon Chambers Ltd., which ran blocks of flats in the West End. All the members of the Knowles family had money in it, and Maj. Barcroft was a director.

Shortly before the present war Mrs. Barcroft was told that Mrs. Knowles was accusing him of running a block of flats secretly in opposition to Gordon Chambers Ltd.

### List Of Allegations

Then, following a conversation with Maj. Barcroft Flying Officer Robert Bernard Knowles wrote out a statement of allegations which his step-mother, Mrs. Knowles, had made about the plaintiffs.

It stated that Mrs. Knowles had said to him that Maj. Barcroft "forged his father's signature to a document, or procured his signature to it when his father was not in a fit condition to understand what he was doing."

"Barcroft and your aunt are illegally running an opposition block of flats," the statement continued, "and taking tenants away from Gordon Chambers company. Your aunt is a woman of revolting habits. She is worse than the prostitutes that infest the district."

Cross-examined, Flying Officer Knowles said he did not know whether Maj. Barcroft and Mrs. Wilson had been living together as man and wife for some 15 years. They had separate flats, and when he stayed with him he occupied another flat.

The hearing was adjourned.

## JANE'S AIRCRAFT

Mr. C. G. Grey, former editor of Jane's All the World's Aircraft stated recently that he was taking immediate action in the courts to vindicate his position following the announcement that the editor of the publication is now Mr. Leonard Bridgman.

Mr. Grey stated that he was part proprietor of Jane's All the World's Aircraft, and had been editor for 25 years.

## NAZI COAST SHIPS HARRIED

The British are continuing their efforts to take toll of enemy shipping, for the Air Ministry announced recently that widespread attacks were made on vessels off the coasts of Norway, Belgium and France.

Poor visibility robbed the pilots of a chance to determine what measure of success they attained—they were able to report, however, meeting with intense anti-aircraft fire as well as being hounded by German fighter patrols. One of these encounters provided the day's most exciting item from the air front.

"I saw a bomber accompanying us going for the ships so I decided to try to draw away enemy fighters in order to give him a clear run, being quite confident that we could take on the Messerschmitts," the captain of a British plane related. "One of them closed to within 150 yards of the starboard quarter, firing cannon and machine-guns. My rear gunner had his microphone switched on and I could hear his fire in reply and also the bullets hitting our machine especially that one which came with a wicked crack a few feet behind me."

"The enemy then broke away and the fellow on the port side was at us. He, too, left us at 500 yards. We could see that both craft had been hit. The fighters dived right across our bow and there followed the remarkable sight of a bomber chasing a fighter. We went like a bat out of hell."

"With full throttles, we went down, our front guns blazing the whole time. Now we saw a third Messerschmitt coming at us almost vertically in a screaming dive. It looked as if he meant to ram us but my rear gunner diverted him with well-aimed bursts."

Altogether between them these two British bombers drove off six enemy fighters, destroying one for certain and possibly several which were seen to be damaged.

## JAPANESE DENY CHUNGKING CLAIMS

Not one Japanese warship had been sunk by mines, aerial bombing or artillery bombardment since the Sino-Japanese hostilities began, said Comdr. Hazama, navy spokesman, at a recent press conference in Shanghai, in denying the Chungking claim that 81 Japanese warships had been sunk recently by mines. He said that only a few transports and merchant ships had been sunk, only one this year and only about five or six before that.



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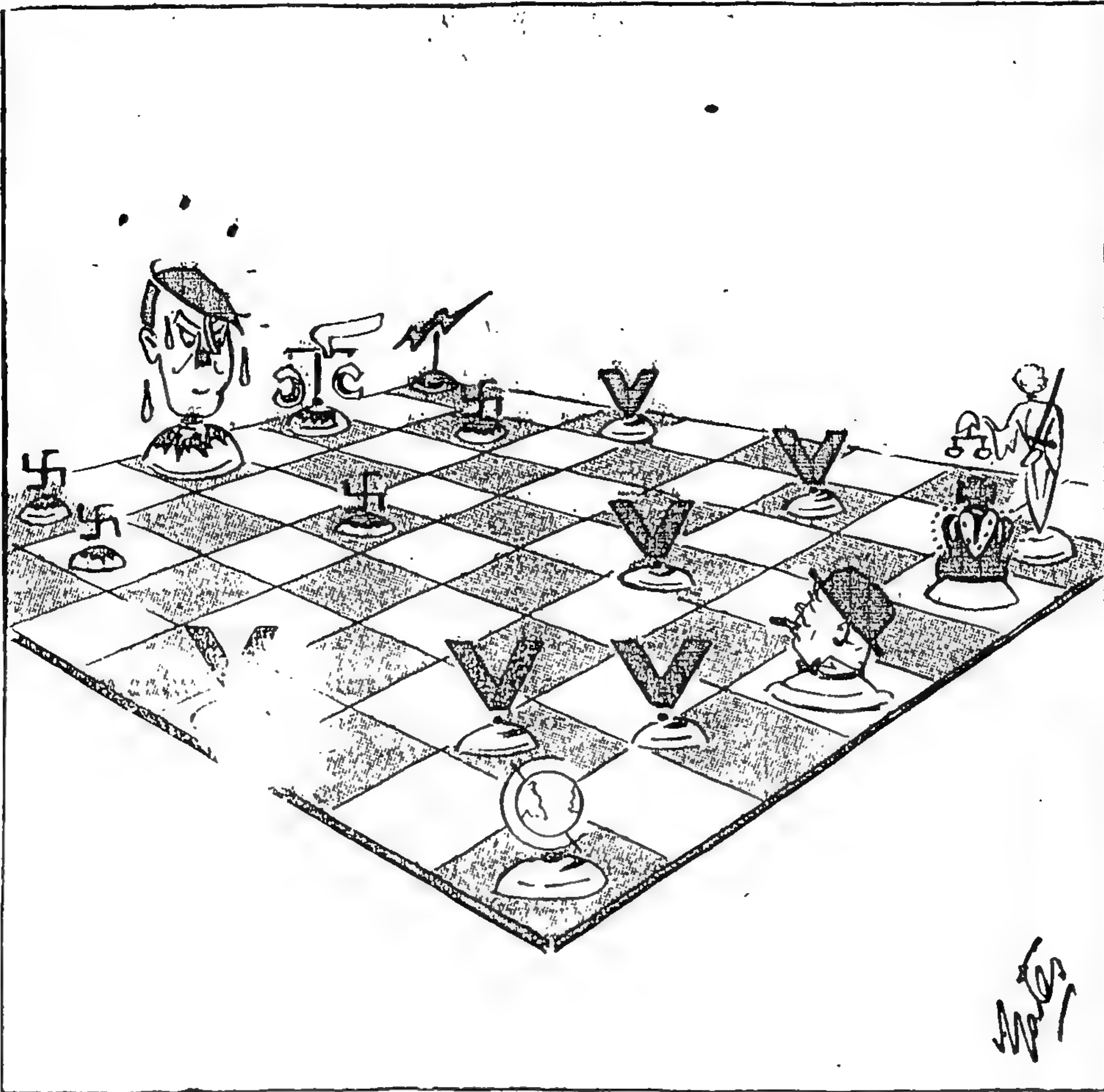
## JAPAN'S PROBLEM

Events in Russia plainly raise difficult problems in strategy and diplomacy for Japan. As never before since this war began, Hitler's power and prestige is at issue, and already there is a strong and growing body of opinion which, if it is not prepared to agree that Hitler lost the war the day he ordered the blitzkrieg against Moscow, feels that failure to break through in ten or fourteen days spell the doom of the whole enterprise, no matter what victories he may now snatch. It follows then that continued active partnership with an ally whose future power is deeply jeopardised must be a matter for anxious study by the new Cabinet, though nothing in Ministerial statements since announcement of the new personnel has justified the conclusion that any substantial withdrawal from earlier policy is at present contemplated. On the contrary, it has been the purpose of the Konoye Cabinet to give the impression that nothing has changed but the driving force, and that the tempo of action is to be speeded up.

For the moment, no safe prediction can be made as to what that might mean interpreted into terms of Far East strategy. For many months Japan has been poised to strike in the southward direction, attracted by the promise of rich spoil in the raw materials which could be obtained in the Dutch East Indies and Malaya, restrained by consideration of the risks of a war with Great Britain, possibly also the United States.

Japan's imperialists, both in and out of uniform, paint an alluring picture of a Japanese Empire, enlarged, rounded out and made impregnable by the acquisition of the Dutch East Indies, with their riches in rubber, tin, many tropical products and that commodity which is more precious than gold in a world of force: oil. Malaya also contains tin mines and rubber plantations, along with iron. And the Philippines, which could scarcely remain outside the Japanese orbit if Malaya and the East Indies should fall, contain large reserves of iron and manganese, together with their sugar and coconut plantations.

Japanese moderates, and a few of these moderates are in the Army and Navy, stress the danger,



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## The First Americans & Their Policy

ALTHOUGH there are some who think it far-fetched and meddlesome for the United States government to take an interest in the fate of the French, Spanish and Portuguese empires, they would not think so if they had studied American history. For the line of policy announced by the President on May 28, and now being followed by Secretary Hull in his negotiations, was in fact inaugurated under President John Adams and while Washington was still alive. In 1798 during the wars of revolutionary imperialism the question arose which has now, with Hitler's Germany in place of Napoleonic France, arisen again: it was learned that conquering France was about to gain control of the weakly held Spanish empire which then included the Louisiana territory, Florida, Central and South America.

The news was communicated on February 15, 1798, by Lord Grenville to Rufus King, the United States Minister in London, saying as King reported, it, that "if Spain should be able to preserve her independence and prevent a revolution in her government," Great Britain would let the Spanish empire alone; "but if it was really to be apprehended Spain should fall beneath the control of France," then the British government "would endeavour to prevent France from gaining to their cause the resources of South America" and would "immediately open their views and commence a negotiation upon the subject with the United States."

There was some doubt then, as there is now about Vichy, as to

even from a military standpoint, of cutting off all sources of supply except those in regions which are under Japanese military control. They point out that an attack on Singapore, or on any of the British, Dutch and American strongholds in the South Pacific bristles with difficulties.

And they are the type of difficulty that will not be modified in Japan's favour if, as seems more and more likely, Hitler becomes as effectively bogged down in Russia as Japan is in China.

whether Spain had really surrendered and was collaborating with the revolutionary conqueror. But by September of the same year the British were telling Rufus King that there "could be no doubt that France had obtained a cession" of the Louisiana territory and King was saying in London that we should "be unwilling that Louisiana should pass into the hands of new proprietors."

Shortly after this, by a secret treaty signed October 1, 1800, Spain did cede Louisiana to Napoleon, though for more than a year this was stoutly denied by the Spanish and the French. The United States continued to negotiate with Great Britain and the position taken about the Spanish possessions was identical

**By Walter Lippmann**

with that which Americans have now taken in regard to the French, Spanish and Portuguese possessions in the Western Hemisphere or confronting it, and in regard to the control of the seas.

The policy was formulated by President Jefferson in his instruction of April 18, 1802, to Livingston, the United States Minister in Paris: "The cession of Louisiana and the Floridas by Spain to France works most sorely on the United States." New Orleans, he pointed out, is one of the gateways to our territory: "France, placing herself in that door, assumes to us the attitude of defiance. Spain might have retained it quietly for years. . . . These circumstances render it impossible that France and the United States can continue long friends when they meet in so irritable a position. . . . The day that France takes possession of New Orleans fixes the sentence which is to retain her forever within her low-water mark. It seals the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean. From that moment we must marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation. . . . This is not a state of things we seek or desire. It is one which this measure, if adopted by France, forces on us as necessarily as any other cause, by the laws of nature, brings on its necessary effects."

Thus, it is a fact, which no student of American history can

successfully dispute, that the foreign policy of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, and Monroe was not one bit more isolationist or non-interventionist than the policy of Roosevelt, Willkie and Hull. The two policies are the same policy—the historic American policy since the foundation of the Republic. It is that the territories affecting our vital interests must not pass from the control of friendly and pacific nations into the control of aggressive and expanding empires, and that to prevent this happening we are prepared "to marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation" because this means "the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean."

There has been no change whatever in the principles of American foreign policy. If in 1802 we could not allow revolutionary France to control the mouth of the Mississippi, if in 1823 we could not allow Russia to control the western coast of Canada or the European quadruple alliance to reconquer Central and South America, then how can it be argued by Col. Lindbergh that in 1941 we are more aggressive than Hitler because we say that Hitler shall not control the islands of the Atlantic and the west coast of Africa? The distance in time from Washington to New Orleans in 1801, or from Chicago to South America in 1823, was very much greater than the distance to-day from the Azores or the Cape Verde Islands or Casablanca or Dakar to any part of the American continent. I have myself talked recently with a Canadian newspaper man who had dinner in Montreal and breakfast in England, having crossed the Atlantic in a bomber. Yet we are asked to believe that Jefferson, who was aroused about French control of New Orleans, and Monroe and Jefferson, who were aroused about the control of far-off South America, would to-day be unconcerned at the prospect of having Hitler established half way across the Atlantic.

The truth is that those who appeal to the fathers of the Republic in support of the Lindbergh propaganda are misrepresenting totally the principles and the actions of the fathers of the Republic. The first American statesmen were not pacifists. They were not isolationists. They were not neutrals. They had not been afraid to fight against England but neither were they in the slightest afraid to say that they would, if American interests were threatened, fight along with England.

Thus it may be said, quite literally and seriously, that though the present foreign policy of the United States government is not in accord with the views of the American First Committee, it is strictly in accord with the principles and the practice of the first American.

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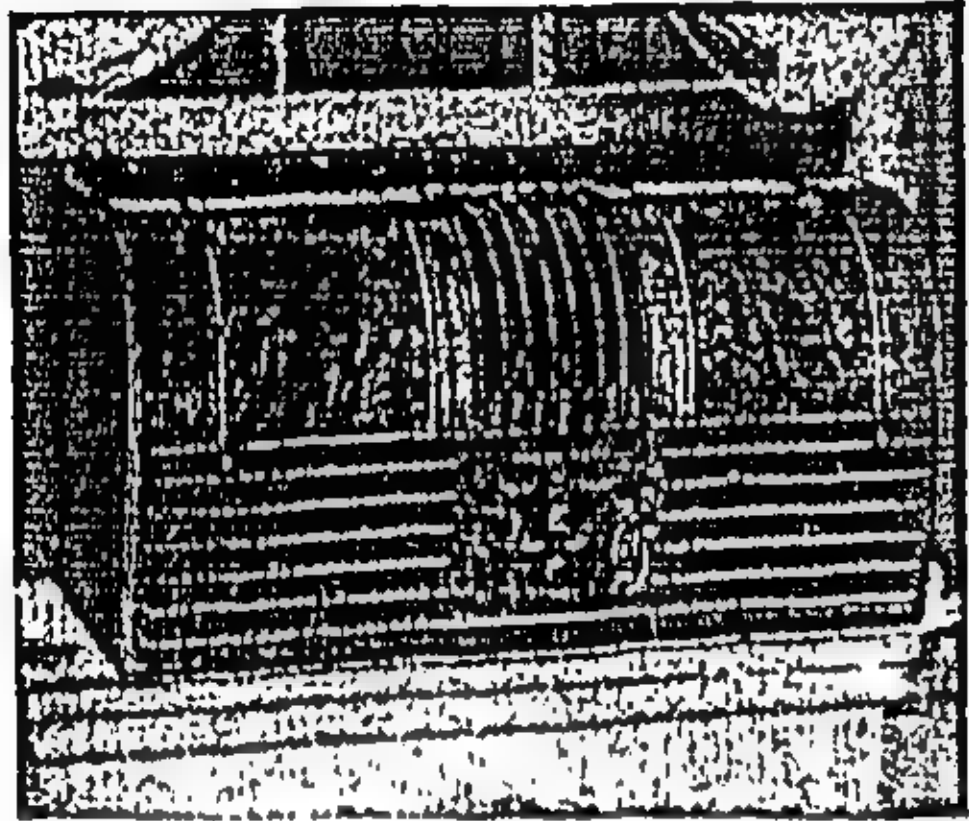
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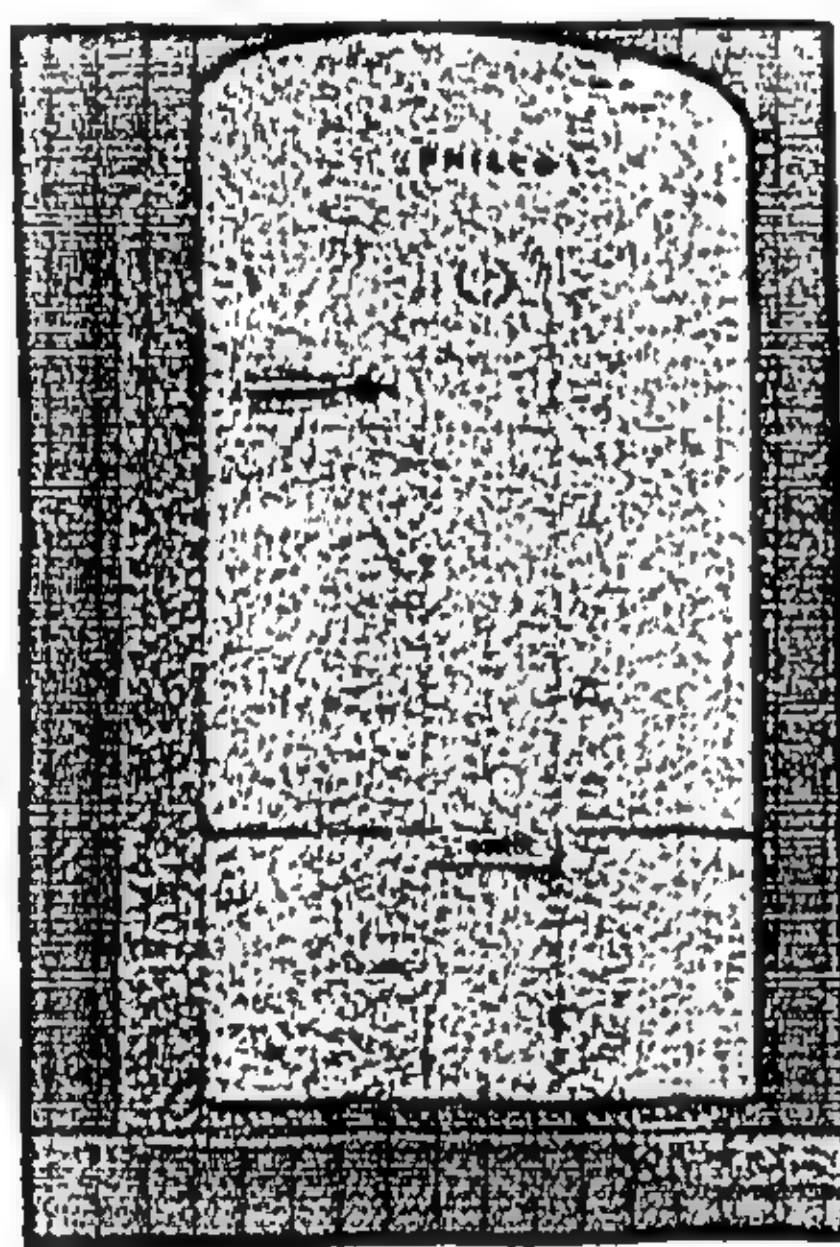
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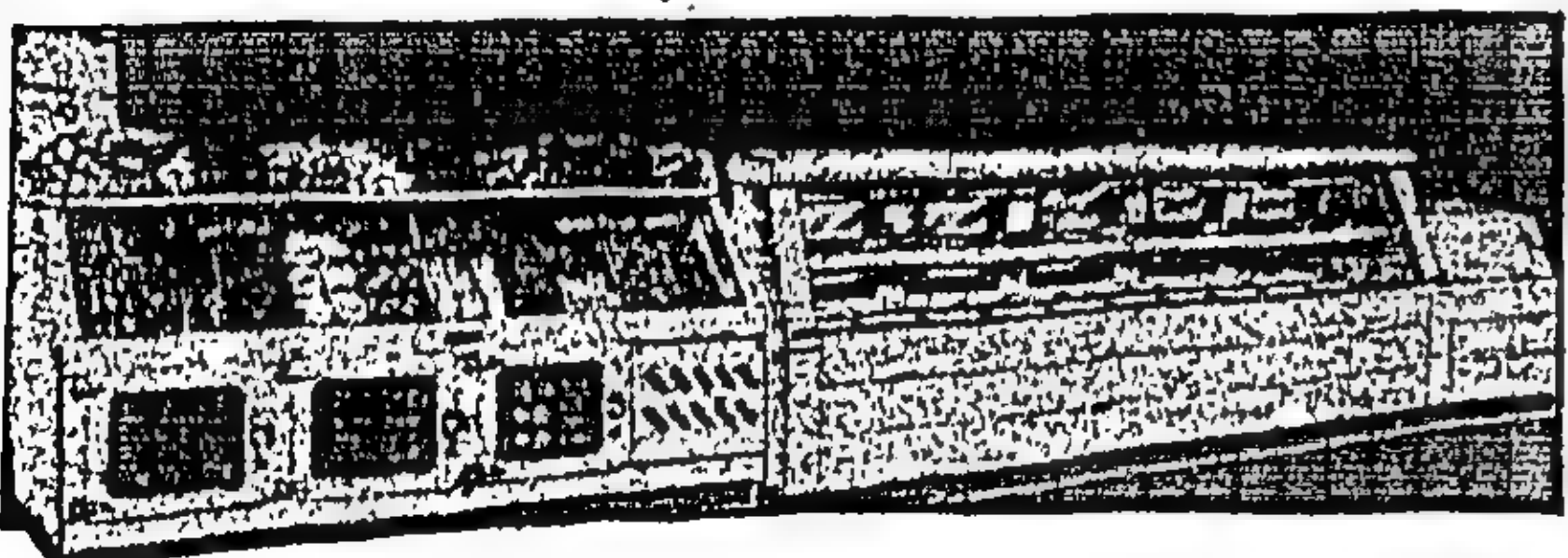
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THE GREAT BATTLE BETWEEN THE GERMANS AND THE RUSSIANS IN WHICH THE OPPOSING ARMIES ARE WRESTLING IN FIGHTING ZONES OF GREAT DEPTH, CONTINUES WITH UNABATED VIOLENCE.

It is considered by military circles in London that certain developments are now clear. Firstly, the German advance from Pskov towards Leningrad seems to be held up by the Russians.

Secondly, the Russians seem to be putting up fierce resistance to the Germans endeavouring to advance on both flanks of Smolensk. It is still uncertain whether the Germans have occupied the city but it is possible that German detachments are fighting beyond it to the east, although the main supporting forces are still doing their best to break through on the flanks.

Thirdly, the Germans seem to be making an advance in the Kiev direction by a thrust developing down the right bank of the Dnieper which will be watched carefully as success might endanger the Bessarabian sector.

The German newspaper "Frankfurter Zeitung," which has maintained an unbroken attitude throughout the Nazi regime, says: "In some sectors of the front, our victories were too hasty."

"Fortresses we believed already conquered, suddenly resumed resistance by virtue of underground fortifications not noticed by our soldiers. Again and again, fresh battles must be fought in territory already considered dominated by our army."

"This stubborn resistance is only explained by Bolshevik fanaticism or fear of political commissars. An enormous number of Russian tanks have been destroyed and our tanks are still engaged in hard battles."

The article concludes: "A great part of the Red Army has been annihilated but it still remains impossible to judge how long it will take before it is beaten. Only one thing is certain and that is Germany will fight this war against Russia to the end."

"We confess the hardships in these battles exceed anything in history and we assume the increased bitter resistance and the power of the Red Army is caused by the knowledge of its leaders that the last reserves are in the fight." — British Wireless.

## LONDON MESSAGE TO MOSCOW

Mr. C. G. Ammon, Chairman of the London County Council, has sent the following telegram to the Chairman of the Moscow Soviet:—

"On behalf of the people of London I send sympathetic greetings to the people of Moscow in the wanton damage to their city."

"We share with you the hazards and dangers of these inhuman attacks. In the pride of resistance we salute you. We will stand together until the end. Victory is assured." — Reuter.

### AUDIENCE OF KING

Mr. Harry Hopkins, U.S. special representative, who is in London in connection with the Lease-Lend Act, was received in audience by the King yesterday. Mr. Churchill also had an audience of His Majesty. — British Wireless.

## AMERICAN OFFER TO SOVIET

The United States has offered to buy any strategic materials Russia might want to sell to help pay for purchases of war supplies in America, declared Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, at his press conference in Washington yesterday.

THE OFFER WAS MADE TO THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR, M. OUMANSKY, A WEEK AGO BUT MR. JONES DID NOT KNOW WHEN THE DEAL WAS LIKELY TO BE PUT THROUGH.

Mr. Jones explained the only difficulty was to get materials, particularly manganese and chromium, from western Russia to Vladivostok and then finding ships to transport them to the U.S.

He said purchases would not necessarily be balanced by the equivalent amount of war materials bought in the U.S.

"The Russians have a good supply of cash — gold. They have not asked for a loan." — Reuter.

## RANSOM FOR MAHARANEE

The Nazis are demanding a ransom of £2,000,000 in gold for the Maharanee of Kapurthala, who is in a concentration camp near Besancon, in occupied France, states the New York "Daily News" recently.

The newspaper adds that the Maharajah who "presumably escaped to England" is willing to pay this sum, but that the British Government is opposed to his doing so.

The Maharajah and the Maharanee were in Paris when France capitulated.

The Maharajah escaped, but the Maharanee, thinking she would be left unharmed, remained behind. She was arrested by the Gestapo.

## PROMOTION FROM RANKS IN THE ARMY

Replying to a Commons question, the War Secretary said he was satisfied that the system of promotion to commissioned rank in the Army was based entirely on merit and was free from any suggestion of favouritism or the use of influence. — British Wireless.

## Food Scarcity In Greece

Reports of chaotic conditions in Greece and acute scarcity of food among the civilian population are causing concern in Britain about the state of British prisoners of war both in Greece and Crete.

The Red Cross and St. John War Organisation have, as an immediate measure, telegraphed £10,000 to the British Ambassador in Ankara and £5,000 to Dr. Brunel, representative of the International Red Cross in Greece, for the purchase of any food supplies available in Turkey and Greece to supplement prisoners' rations.

The Prisoners of War Department of the Red Cross recently stated that, as far as they could judge, about 8,000 men were taken in Greece and these have now been mostly evacuated to Germany.

Prisoners in Crete, totalling approximately 13,000, are probably in the course of evacuation.

The British Red Cross have established a reserve of about 500,000 parcels of food as well as considerable stores of clothing at Geneva in charge of the International Red Cross, but these cannot be dispatched to Greece as the heavy German military traffic going east through the Balkans occupies all available freight space. — British Wireless.

## HEALTH OF THE POPE

REPORTS THAT THE POPE IS UNWELL APPEAR TO BE CONTRADICTED BY A STATEMENT BY THE OFFICIAL ITALIAN NEWS AGENCY YESTERDAY DESCRIBING A VISIT TO THE VATICAN BY THE BULGARIAN PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, M. POPOFF, WHO IS NOW IN ROME.

M. Popoff was received with some ceremonial and escorted by the Swiss guard to the library where he had "a long and cordial talk" with the Pope.

He later paid a visit to Cardinal Maglione, Secretary of State. — Reuter.



# AN OPEN LETTER TO DR. GOEBBELS FROM A U.S. JOURNALIST

DEAR DOCTOR:—I could write to you directly, but I know that this will reach you more quickly than a letter would, writes Quentin Reynolds in the "Daily Express."

I was in Lisbon a few months ago, and the man who ran the news-stand in my hotel said that one of your employees came to him each morning and bought four copies of the "Daily Express." Once in a confidential mood your man said that he had orders to airmail these copies to you daily.

I hope you don't mind me writing to you, Doc, ol' boy. After all, I knew you back in 1934 when I was working in your town. Remember those bierabende at the Kaiserhof? Some fun, hey, kid? I thought you'd like to hear the news from America and from England. I have just returned from America. You know, Doc, that the reports you get from your agents are pretty inaccurate. To earn their money they have to send nice glowing accounts of what is going on.

I know some of them in America, and believe me, Doc, they are falling down on the job. We have a man named John Edgar Hoover, who is in charge of our G-men. John was telling me about some of your agents and how they operated.

I asked Hoover why he didn't arrest them and toss them in the clink. Hoover laughed and said they weren't important enough to arrest, and besides, he added, they weren't doing any harm.

## America Not So Neutral

Now let me tell you about America. I went back for a holiday thinking that I was returning to a neutral country. Doc, you could of knocked me over with a wiener schnitzel. Time-square is just about as neutral as Trafalgar-square.

You can't go into a night club without hearing some one sing a song called "There'll Always Be an England."

Then there is another song which Irving Berlin wrote. It has swept the country. It is called "When That Man is Dead and Gone." Now you know, Doc, he didn't mean Mickey Rooney.

I think you must be losing your grip, Doc. Your propaganda in America is very bad. Take the city of Boston. It is the largest Irish city in the world. Now, your men in America have spent a lot of time here trying to get the Irish-Americans excited. Have they succeeded? Listen to this, Doc.

I made a speech in Boston on St. Patrick's Day. There were 3,500 people there in Symphony Hall. When I finished do you know what they did? The whole mob got up and sang "God Save the King." Doc, this may not be pleasant news, but you want the truth, don't you? And you know I'm your pal. I wouldn't lie to you, Doc.

If you see Hermann, pass this news along to him. A man named Larry Bell in Buffalo is producing an aeroplane that will make Hermann's Messerschmitts look like trucks.

I watched it being tested. It is called the Alracobra and it is the fastest thing on wheels. It will go 400 miles an hour and, Doc, do you know what it has in its nose? It has the cutest 37-millimetre cannon that fires a one-pound shell. Doc, there's no plane like it in the world. And they're on their way over here to England now. You'll be hearing from them very soon.

## "London Can Take It"

But I'm sure you'd rather hear about London than about America. I'd like to tell you about the changes I notice here after a three months' absence. I only notice one real, important change, and you'd better pass this on to Mr. H. Last autumn when Hermann's cute kids used to come over and drop bombs on London—the people took their beating philosophically enough. A bunch of lads calling themselves the Crown Film Unit made a film called "London Can Take It."

London was taking it all right then. Now, Doc, this will please you: London isn't taking it any more. Hermann's cute kids gave us a pasting last Saturday night. Let's face it, Doc.

It was a terrific pasting, and old London caught hell.

On Sunday people didn't laugh about that raid. No, sir, the streets of London on Sunday were crowded with grim, sullen-faced people. The people of London are tired of taking it. They want to give it. I hate to say this about my neighbours, but Doc, every one of them is now demanding revenge. Every time a bomb drops on London town now it carries germs with it: germs of hatred.

I think you and Mr. H. have a silly idea that Englishmen are gentlemen. That may have been true once, but Hermann's cute kids have changed the English. They are now a ruthless, savage people determined to crush your kind of civilisation. The gloves are off. Everything goes from now on. No punches are barred.

Well, that's all, Doc. Cheerio, and take care of yourself. Take very good care of yourself, Doctor. We'll be seeing you again. It may not be next month or next Autumn but sooner or later we'll be seeing you, Doctor.

And when we do see you we want you to be in very good health. We have ideas about you which can only be carried out if you are in good health. Goodbye, Doctor.

Respectfully,  
P.S. - I'll say one thing for your nightly blitzes, Doctor. They do take our minds off the war.

# THE NAZI PROPHET IN TOKYO

The prediction that "within one month," the swastika will be flying over Moscow, was made by Lieut.-Colonel Wilhelm Nimiz, the German military attache in Tokyo, in a statement to the Japanese Press on the first month's fighting against Russia.

The fall of Leningrad, he said, according to the Domei Agency, was "a matter of time."

Fighting would reach its peak in about a fortnight's time, he predicted, and he referred to the bombing of Moscow as proof that "Germany has already won air supremacy."

As for the United States, Colonel Nimiz asserted: "The Germans have naturally made allowances for the possibility of United States' participation in the war."

The landing of American forces in Iceland, he said: "In fact constitutes participation."—Reuter.

# PRINCE CONSORT IN TONGA PASSES

The King and Queen have sent a message of condolence to the Queen of Tonga on the death of the Prince Consort and Premier of Tonga, who died suddenly on Sunday.

In a personal message, the Colonial Secretary expresses deep regret and sincere sympathy with the Queen in the loss of a distinguished husband who had worked so devotedly for the welfare of his country.—British Wireless.

# NO BLACK-OUT EXERCISE TO-NIGHT

Wing-Comdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, informs us that there will be no black-out exercises to-night "as no further useful purpose will be served and also to relieve the public of any inconvenience caused by the exercises in this very hot weather."

# GERMANS BOGGING DOWN

Turkish military experts consider it unlikely that Germany will want to create a new front before having materially reduced Russian resistance, according to the Ankara correspondent of the Independent French Agency.

There is growing scepticism in Ankara as to Germany's chances against Russia, even those Turks who had predicted the rapid collapse of the Russian front now being reserved in their opinions.

The statement by the German military attache in Ankara, that the Russian campaign would be over in six weeks, which was at first given certain credence, is now the subject of ironical comment.

Although it is believed in Ankara the Germans would appear too deeply engaged in Russia for any action in the Near East to be feared, the correspondent says experts admit the situation might become critical again if the Germans were to reach the Caucasus before the end of August.

Military observers point out the German attack is being directed rather towards the Urals, as if the German High Command wanted first of all to eliminate the main Russian forces before facing the long lines of communication that an advance on the Caucasus would entail.—Reuter.

# SABOTAGE IN U.S. NAVY YARDS

Declaring that sabotage had caused a number of fires and "accidents" in naval establishments during the last 12 months, Senator Walsh, chairman of the Naval Committee told the House of Senate, whose galleries were crowded, that he was quoting confidential naval reports.

He asserted that San Francisco was the headquarters of the Nazis in the United States and that the naval authorities estimate there were 400 Nazis in the West Coast.

Advocating measures to establish a civilian protective guard for naval depots, Senator Walsh said it would be disastrous if one of America's battleships were blown up through sabotage.

By 41 votes to 14, the U.S. Senate later passed the measure for civilian guards at U.S. naval establishments.—Reuter.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## A Misunderstanding By The Four Aces

"Please rule on this dispute," requests a St. Louis reader. "We couldn't agree on the bidding of this hand:

South, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

NORTH		EAST	
♠ 6 5 2	♥ 6	♠ 10 9 4 3	♥ 9 8 4 3 2
♦ Q 9 8 4 3	♣ Q J 10 5	♦ 5 2	♣ 7 3

WEST  
♠ K Q J 7  
♥ A Q 10 7  
♦ 7  
♣ K 9 8 2

SOUTH  
♠ A 3  
♥ K J 6  
♦ A K J 10 6  
♣ A 6 4

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♠ 1♠ 4♠ Pass  
6♠ Pass Pass Pass

"As you see, nothing terrible happened even though we got to a Slam when we failed to make. We were set two tricks at six diamonds; but we belonged in either five diamonds or three no-trump—neither of which could have been made. So we're not kicking about the result; it's just that we had no business to be up so high."

"South contends that North had no right to jump to four diamonds with only two Queens in his hand; and that if North had value for this bid, the Slam would have been makeable. North maintains that his jump bid was justified and that only slight values are needed to shut the opponents out."

"What's the verdict?"  
We agree with North but give our sympathy to South. If North had a good hand he would either redouble or pass (with the intention of entering the bidding later on). North's jump bid was therefore clearly based on a hand weak in high cards but strong in distributional support for diamonds. South should have realised that a Slam was out of the question.

We give our sympathy to South, however, since he was unable to make even a game contract with his very strong hand opposite a partner who announced strong distributional support. He would have been justified, although unsuccessful, in bidding five diamonds, but not six diamonds.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 4  
♥ K J 4 3  
♦ 9 2  
♣ 7 3 2

The bidding:  
Schenken Maker You Jacoby  
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass  
3♥ Pass (?) Pass

ANSWER: Bid four hearts. Your partner's bidding shows a strong hand with excellent game prospects if you have anything but a very weak hand. Your strong support for both of partner's suits should give him a good play for a game.

Score 100% for four hearts; 30% for pass.

## Question No. 775

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 4  
♥ Q 7 5 3  
♦ K 8 3  
♣ Q 7 6 2

The bidding:  
Jacoby Schenken You Maker  
1♠ Pass (?) Pass

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More than 70,000 vehicles of every kind, from tanks to reconnaissance cars, from Bren-gun carriers to lorries, were engaged in this mock war, which covered a wide area of country, and was the greatest military exercise of its kind ever held in Britain.

## 75,000 Troops Engaged

The men taking part in it, most of them highly skilled technicians or experts of a thousand different kinds, numbered fully 75,000.

When the two fleets of heavy tanks finally met the scene was one of awe-inspiring power. A daring raid was made by parachute troops during the battle. Raining down out of the darkening twilight sky, the "sticks" of parachutists—they call each aeroplane load of men a stick, just as if they were bombs—surprised and captured a defending headquarters.

They found maps showing the position of the advance headquarters, and set off to attack this in turn.

But here the Home Guards and police showed their efficiency. The parachutists were rounded up and put out of action.

## G.O.C.'s Tribute

High praise was given to the Home Guards by the G.O.C.-in-C., Eastern Command, Lt.-Gen. Sir Guy Williams, who said:

"In the area of the battle the Home Guard was out in full strength. It showed that it was capable of exercising considerable effect on enemy operations of an extensive nature. It was a most encouraging augury for its actual use in battle."

So realistic was the battle that "Fifth Columnists" were even used by the "enemy" forces to glean up information in the British area. Girls of the A.T.S. and the F.A.N.Y. were employed—with great success—for this work.

One of the leaders of the parachute troops was a tall New Zealand officer who always floats to the ground with a monocle screwed firmly in his eye.

Rather reluctantly—the parachutists are not a boastful lot—he told me these facts:

"All are volunteers with a very high standard of physical fitness. But they must be men of much resource and intelligence, too."

"They come from every walk of life—miners, grocers, car salesmen, racing motorists, youngsters of independent means. Quite a number are good linguists—and they are encouraged to learn German."



The mentally sketchy girl-friend recommended a dose of bicarbonate of soda when her beau said he was burning up with indignation.

# LIBRARY FOR CHILDREN ORGANISED

The Shanghai Children's Library, the first of its kind in Shanghai, last week opened its doors to the public at its headquarters at 13, Majestic Arcade, 1040 Bubbling Well Road. More than 10,000 books are listed.

The Shanghai Children's Library plans to institute 30 circulating branches for members living far away. Travelling units are also being planned for use in the various schools, parks and camps.

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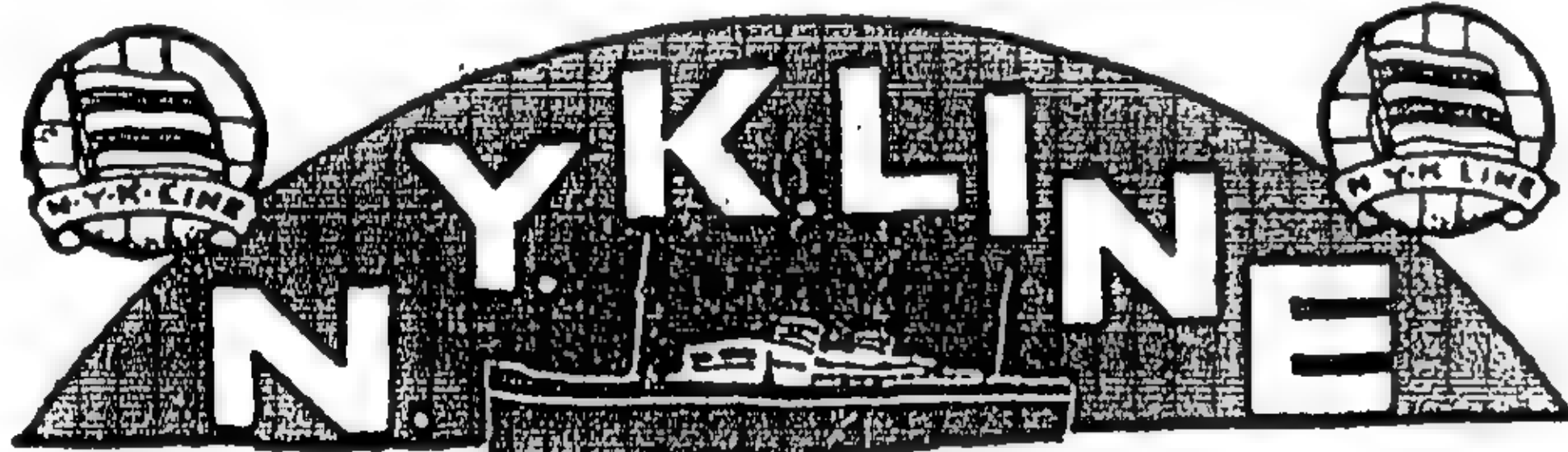
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—A Gershwin Programme.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Humorous & Vocal Variety. Sketch—A Record Broadcast (Geoffrey Clayton)... The Parlophone Sketch Company. Vocal—Dinah (Lewis-Young-Askat)... The Boswell Sisters with guitar accompaniment. Vocal—Peter's Pop Keeps A Lollipop Shop... Rocky Mountaineers accompaniment by the Bunk House Boys. Humorous—With Her Head Tucked Underneath Her Army (Weston & Lee)... Stanley Holloway with piano. Vocal—Marie Louise (Meisel)... Browning Mummery (Tenor) with orchestra. Comedienne—'I Haven't Been The Same Girl Since (Harper & Haines)... Grace Fields (Soprano) with orchestra. Comedian—How The So-And-So Can I Be Happy; The Girl Next Door (Max Miller)... Max Miller with orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—You're Just A No Account; You're A Lucky Guy... Louis Armstrong & his orchestra. Tangos—Horas Fugaces; Trapa Viejo... Orquesta Tipica. Swing Fox-Trot—Sweet Potato Piper (from film "The Road to Singapore"); Blue Ribbon Rag... Arthur Young & Harchett's Swingette. Slow Fox-Trot—When I Dream Of Home; Moonlight And Mimosa... Joe Loss and his orchestra. Fox-Trot—When The Blackbird Says Bye-Bye... The New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Blues—The Ghost Of Smoky Joe (from film "Cotton Club Parade"); The Six Swingers. Fox-Trots—Harlem Air Shaft; Sepia Panorama Duke Ellington & his Famous Orchestra. Waltzes—Lover; Your Smiles, Your Tears (from "Minn Rosa")... Harry Horlick & his orch.

7.30 p.m.—A Variety Programme. Vocal—There'll Come Another Day (Stranks & Pettison); All Over The Place (Eytan & Gay)... "Hutch" (Leslie A. Hutchinson).

Organ—Torch Parade, No. 3—Intro: I Can't Love You Any More; I'll Never Smile Again; Until I Smile At You; Until You Fall In Love; I Hear Bluebirds; Fools Rush In; We'll Go Smiling Along... Sidney Torch.

Vocal—Yes, My Darling Daughter (J. Lawrence); Down Argentina Way (from film "Down Argentina Way")—Gordon, Harry Warren)... Dinah Shore with orchestra.

Vocal—All This And Heaven Too (Delange—Van Heusen)... Dick Todd with orchestra.

Swing—Give Out (Strauss-Dale-Miller); Yodel In Swing (Don Rave-Hughie Prince)... Sid Phillips Trio with the Greene Sisters.

8.00 p.m.—London—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London—War Commentary.

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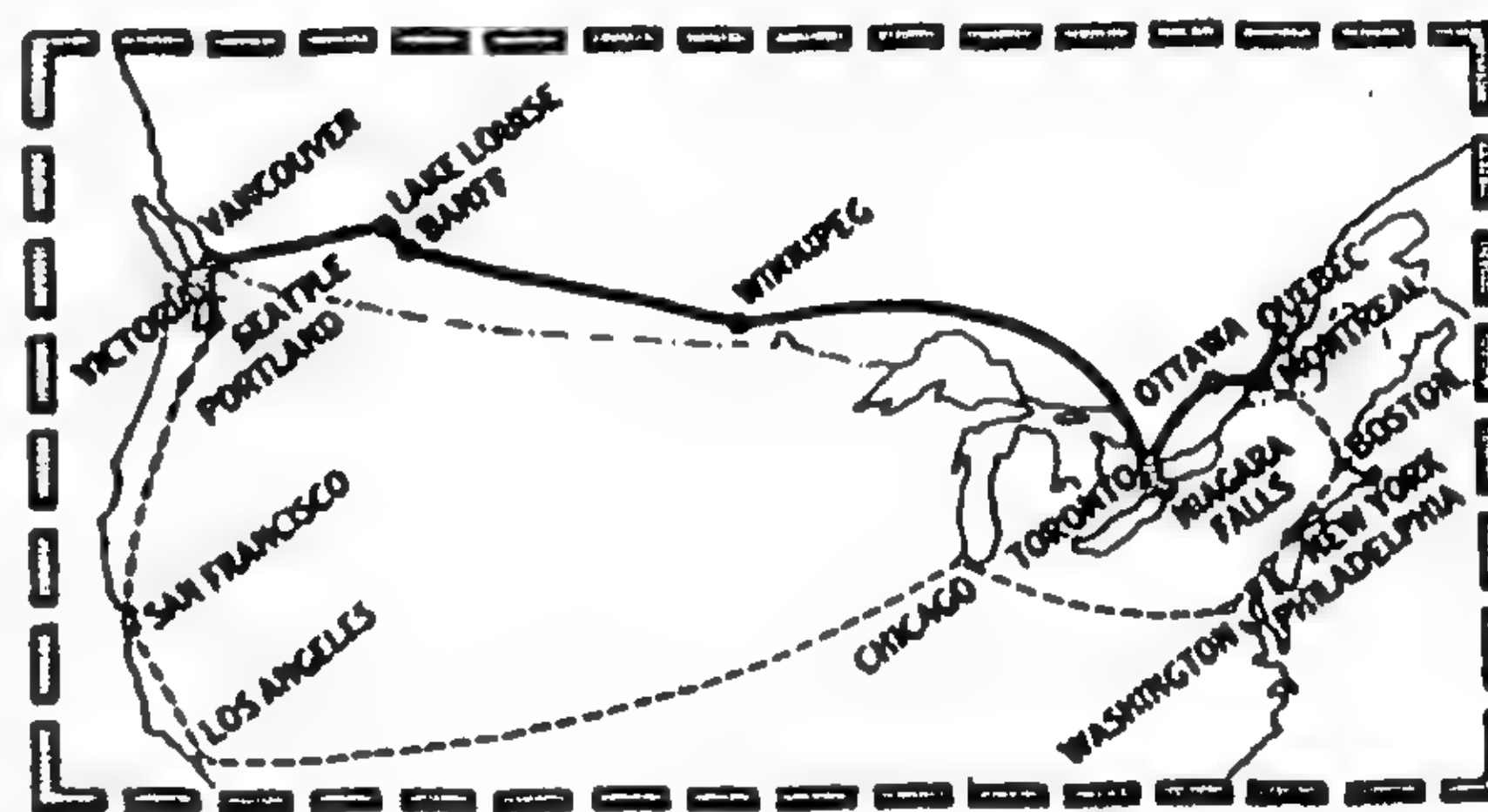
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## CHIANG THANKS MALAYA

THE FIRM BELIEF THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CHINA WILL BECOME CLOSER THAN EVER BEFORE WAS EXPRESSED BY GENERAL ALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN A CABLE TO THE GOVERNOR, SIR SHEN TON THOMAS, THANKING HIM FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN TO THE CHINESE MILITARY MISSION.

The mission recently made a tour of the British defence system in Malaya.

Chiang Kai-shek's message reads in part: General Shang Chen, the leader of the mission, and his assistants benefitted immensely from the visit.

All the arrangements made for them were greatly appreciated.

I firmly believe that relations between our two great nations will be closer than ever before."—Reuter.

## GERMAN STORIES OF RAIDS

"IN WATERS AROUND ENGLAND GERMAN BOMBERS SCORED DIRECT HITS ON TWO LARGE FREIGHTERS OTHERS ATTACKED HARBOUR INSTALLATIONS IN SOUTH-EAST ENGLAND," SAYS A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

"In the Suez Canal bombs of all calibres were dropped on military installations.

"In attempted enemy sweeps over the Channel coast six British fighters were brought down by German fighters.

"British bombers dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs at various places in south-west Germany killing and wounding some civilians. It was mostly houses that were damaged and destroyed. A.A. artillery shot down one attacking bomber."—Reuter.

## CZECH MINISTER TO MOSCOW

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that Zdenek Fierlinger, former Czechoslovak Minister in Moscow, has been appointed to represent Czechoslovakia in the Soviet Union as result of the agreement by which relations between the two countries are resumed.

M. Fierlinger, who is now in London, will shortly leave for Moscow.—Reuter.

## HIGH WAGES ARE CAUSING NEW WARTIME CRIME-WAVE

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD errand boys, turned into demolition workers at £4 5s. 8d. a week, are spending £3 a week each on clothes, cigarettes, cinemas and beer. They are the East End playboys behind London's newest wartime crime-wave.

Swollen-headed because of their 1s. 7½d. an hour jobs, they are reversing the peacetime rule that poverty leads to crime.

With too much money to spend, many of them are learning in gangs to drink and gamble, and are finding themselves in the juvenile courts, accused by policemen who earn less than they do.

Three results:—

ONE:—Remand homes have been crowded to such an extent that Sir Alexander Maxwell, permanent under-secretary at the Home Office, has issued circulars asking for more space. He estimates 1940's juvenile crime to be 40 per cent. above 1939's.

TWO:—London County Council have evacuated their remand homes for children under eleven to make room for the new criminals—boys with men's wages.

THREE: Juvenile courts are sitting twice as long as they did. I saw a juvenile charge sheet that showed the position. There were twenty-two cases, double the usual number. Twenty dealt with boys in the wage-earning years between fourteen and sixteen, and eight of them with sixteen-year-olds earning wages on which families were raised in peacetime.

### £4. 5. 8 Spent—And

A sixteen-year-old boy, seven weeks a demolition worker, gave me his budget last night. "I give my mother 25s. a week and keep the rest to enjoy myself," he said.

"I might have four glasses of beer a night—never enough to do any harm. I smoke about twenty cigarettes a day. Then there's the pictures about twice a week and sometimes a dance."

He poked at his tweed suit, his new shoes, and said: "And I keep myself in clothes."

Here then in his approximate weekly budget:—

	£	s.	d.
To mother	1	5	0
Beers, 28 at 5½d. each		12	10
Cigarettes, 20 a day at 1s. 6d. a packet	10	6	
Cinema twice a week	2	0	
Dances, clothes, fares	1	15	4

### Nothing Saved

His mother confirmed this and seemed to take a pride in his

wage-earning. She said, "He has a right to enjoy himself. He has an occasional drink, but never comes home drunk."

Said a juvenile court official, "Trouble is when the war is over these boys will not be able to adjust themselves to smaller wages and they don't seem to be saving a penny for themselves or for the country."

## DUTCH ARE NOT KNUCKLING DOWN

It has been revealed that the romance has increased in the Netherlands during the last two months, and the work of the German military commander, Christiansen, has become steadily more difficult.

Stringent labour conditions are now in force: failure to work for the Germans may be punishable by imprisonment up to 15 years, or if the work is in connection with army needs, to which all vital industries belong, by the death penalty.

The well known Orange Hotel in Scheveningen has been made into a prison for political offenders. The Hollanders consider it quite amusing that those defending the house of Orange are detained in the Orange Hotel.

### Catholics v. Nazis

The Catholic Church in Holland, according to Mussert, Dutch Nazi leader, has attacked the Nazi movement in a pastoral letter. All Catholic priests, regular and secular, who head Catholic schools schools had to resign before May 1.

Thorough, Dutch tombstones are censored by the Germans according to "Vrij Nederland," Free Dutch newspaper published in London. No monuments or headstones may be erected in Holland until the Nazis have approved plans and inscriptions.

### Solidarity Emphasised

Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands minister to the U.S.A., speaks out firmly and clearly. In a radio address during his visit to Los Angeles, on which occasion he was introduced by Dr. Adrian Hartog, Consul for the Netherlands with the British Empire, and pointed out the fact that the war against the Nazis was not merely an economic war, but was a war for the very freedom of the human soul. It was a war that would stop at no border. Holland had learned that lesson. If men desired freedom of soul they must in these times be willing to fight and die for it. He believed absolutely in the ultimate victory of free peoples over the Nazis. We must, he said, rid ourselves of the habit of taking such supreme things as freedom of the soul for granted. We must safeguard this, not for ourselves only, but for our children and grandchildren.

The juridical basis for the "Free Netherlands" is twofold; first by of the Netherlands was constituted, not as a nation in Europe with colonies in the East and West Indies, but as a combination of sister provinces, scattered over three continents and uniting to form the Kingdom.

## REPAIRING LONDON RAID DAMAGE

Twelve thousand men who answered the appeal of the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Works and Buildings to repair raid-damaged houses are now at work in the London area mending roofs, cracked walls and broken windows.

Since London had two "blitzes" in a week great strides have been made in first-air repairs, and many families who were given temporary accommodation in billets are now back in patched-up homes.

Three schemes are being operated in London and the provinces to speed up the work.

The mutual aid scheme by which one local authority goes to the assistance of another is working satisfactorily; and mobile repair squads, numbering 5,000 men, organised by the Ministry of Works and Buildings are moving from district to district to give further help.

Local authorities who have planned to build satellite towns of cheaply-produced bungalows and houses for "blitzed" families will have difficulty in securing Government sanction.

"We can manage with existing accommodation," a Ministry of Health official explained recently.

## M.P.'S WIFE LOST HER TEMPER IN STREET

Accusations against Lady Lucas, 50, of Wellington-court, Kensington, were withdrawn at Bow Street the other day.

Her husband, Sir Jocelyn Lucas, M.P., has been seriously injured in a London raid.

She had been on bail of £5, accused of obstructing a policeman and a footway.

When she saw a soldier she did not know was drunk being arrested she thought he was being treated with indignity, lost her temper and began shouting, it was stated.

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# F. X. SILVA TO PLAY NO. 1 IN RECREIO'S REORGANISED TEAM

With the majority of their players available against for lawn bowls this Saturday, Club de Recreio have wrung a great many changes in their teams for this week-end. Their "A" team will be playing against their "B" and not one of the links that represented them against Police last week remain intact.

Two of the skips who played last Saturday have been replaced—Carlos Silva and F. X. Silva—and their places will be taken by J. F. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves respectively. Ribeiro's front men will be J. Luz, Marques and Xavier. Last week Carlos Silva had D. C. Alves, Marques and J. J. Basto, the last named going back to "B" this week. Carlos Silva is not available.

Alves, who takes over F. X. Silva's place, will have in his rink Silva himself as lead, with C. M. Silva and Noronha as the middle men. R. F. Luz will retain Soares as lead but will have Roza-Pereira and F. V. V. Ribeiro as Nos. 2 and 3 respectively instead of Noronha and Guterres, who go back to the "B" team.

## "J. J." Returns

C. A. Lopes, who skipped Osmund, Pereira and C. H. Basto in last week's "B" team, will not be playing this time. J. J. Basto returns to the side as skip and will have Alves, Remedios and C. H. Basto in his four.

Returning to his normal position as one of the skips in the "B" team, A. P. Guterres will be leading Vas, A. M. Xavier and Rodrigues. The rink last week comprised Machado, C. M. Alves, Carvalho and C. Pereira.

E. Souza, who led J. O. Remedios, A. M. Xavier and J. A. Remedios last week, will have a new rink this time in Machado, Noronha and J. O. Remedios.

## Many Changes

Recreio were not engaged in Second Division last week, their match with Prison Officers' Club being called off owing to Volunteer duties. They last played on July 12 when they lost to Kowloon Tong and the team this week is considerably changed from that one. Carvalho retains a rink but two of his front men are changed. The last time he had Sequeira, Rosario, Guterres, and this Saturday his team will be Barros, Rosario and H. R. Pinna.

Pereira retains Cunha as lead but F. Xavier, who was his No. 3 for the last game, will move up to No. 2, in place of H. M. Xavier, to make room for J. A. Remedios at No. 3. The last named was skip on July 12.

The third rink will comprise Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. Alves and J. R. Soares, as compared with Prata, J. O. Remedios, E. L. Barros and J. A. Remedios for their match with Kowloon Tong.

## Complete Reshuffle

Their Third Division team has also been considerably changed about. The only alteration in Yvanovich's rink is that A. Ribeiro comes in as No. 2 in place of A. M. Silva, but the second rink has been completely reshuffled, comprising M. Guterres, J. Remedios, Mendonca and A. P. Pereira as against Alarcon, H. M. Xavier, A. da Roza and H. R. Pinna last week.

Two changes for the middle positions, are noted in M. F. Pinna's rink. H. M. Xavier and A. A. da Roza replacing P. d'Almeida and Mendonca at Nos. 2 and 3 respectively.

## Promotion For Sherriff

Kowloon Bowling Green Club "A" have not made many changes for their match this week with Civil Service



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Cricket Club. Holland and Duncan retain the same rinks and the only change in Hall's four is that Sherriff, who was skipping one of the "B" rinks last week, will replace Peckham as No. 3, Peckham taking over one of the "B" fours.

In their "B" team, Gill comes into Meyer's rink as No. 3 to replace Drew, while Peckham will have Hodder, Dixon and Sykes playing for him. Sherriff's rink of last week comprised Hodder, Dixon and Lockhart, the last named this week going No. 3 to Guy instead of Bower, who will be playing in Third Division.

As in the case of their "A" team in First Division, there is only one change in Third Division, this being in Jordan's rink, where Bower replaces Hurst as lead.

## Brown Back As Skip

Hong Kong Cricket Club have made a few changes in their Second Division team this week.

Costello keeps the same four, and in Goodwin's rink there is only one change, Aitkenhead coming into the team as No. 1 in place of Shields, who returns to Third Division.

Davis, who skipped a rink last week, will be No. 1 this time to Brown, with Hosper retaining his position as No. 2. Edwards, third man in Davis' rink last week, will not be playing this time, and his place will be taken by Nissim.

In Third Division McKellar takes over the third rink, with Monaghan, Sewell and Lacey as his front men. In their last game, on July 12, Nissim was skip with Valentine, Doughty and McKellar playing for him.

Shields comes down from Second Division as lead to Abraham, whose rink is otherwise unchanged. Valentine and Doughty go over to Hamilton's four as the first two men in the places of Monaghan and Sewell respectively.

## No Police Change

Police Recreation Club find themselves in the fortunate position of being able to field the same teams in both Second and Third Divisions.

## Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams.

**CLUB DE RECREIO**  
First Division "A" (v Recreio "B", home):—F. X. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip), Joe Luz, C. E. Marques, I. F. Xavier, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip), F. X. Soares, C. Roza-Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

"B" Team:—D. C. Alves, O. P. Remedios, C. H. Basto, J. J. Basto (skip), F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, Eddie Souza (skip), C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Guterres (skip).

Second Division (v H.K.F.C., home):—A. J. Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares (skip), E. L. Barros, L. A. Rosario, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip), E. Cunha, Fred A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v C.C.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, Arthur Ribeiro, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip), M. A. Guterres, Jock Remedios, M. Mendonca, A. P. Pereira (skip), F. P. Sequeira, H. M. Xavier, A. A. da Roza, M. F. Pinna (skip).

K.B.G.C.

First Division "A" (v C.S.C.C., away):—W. L. Walker, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland (skip), P. Holloway, H. White, G. H. Sherriff, A. J. Hall (skip), R. P. Phillips, E. Levett, J. McKelvie, R. Duncan (skip).  
First Division "B" (v I.R.C., away):—W. C. Hodder, V. C. Dixon, L. Sykes, P. A. Peckham (skip), H. Blacknell, E. Atkins, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer (skip), G. W. Elphick, K. C. Hamilton, H. L. Lockhart, L. Guy (skip).

Third Division (v I.R.C., Home):—J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, E. V. Scarle, H. Nish (skip), W. M. Wilson, J. S. Dinmen, G. Thompson, C. Wallis (skip), A. Bower, S. C. Walker, C. E. Langley, L. A. Jordan (skip).

HONG KONG C.C.

Second Division (Prison Officers Club, Home):—S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Haigh, H. G. Wallington and G. E. Costello (skip), G. G. Aitkenhead, T. R. Rawell, L. A. R. Duncan and E. Goodwin (skip), R. R. Davies, E. Hosper, A. Nissim and A. W. Brown (skip).

Third Division (v Police Recreation Club, Away):—H. F. Shields, L. E. N. Ryan, P. S. Cassidy and E. S. Abraham (skip), D. J. Valentine, E. S. Doughty, A. S. Mitchell and P. J. A. Hamilton (skip), T. C. Monaghan, G. W. Sewell, B. J. Lacey and A. McKellar (skip).

POLICE R.C.

First Division (v Craigengower, Crikolet Club, Away):—W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip), C. H. Gough, C. Pile, G. Perkins and W. Mair (skip), E. G. Post, J. M. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. S. Pender (skip).

Third Division (v Hong Kong Cricket Club, Home):—L. C. Fennell, A. J. Johnson, P. C. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip), A. Boulton, W. M. Smith, S. Nolan and J. MacDonald (skip), J. E. Hayward, J. S. Riddell, J. R. Mac-Walter and J. Alkon (skip). Reserves:—W. J. D. Cameron, G. Willerton, J. Headridge, G. Davis and H. B. Dewar.



W. J. Buller, winner, and Hugh Smith, right, photographed on Sunday, when the Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's Junior Section Championship was played at the Valley. Buller won by 2 up over 36 holes.

# POLICE PAIR SCORE A 7 TO WIN 24-14

Due to Volunteer and A.R.P. exercises in connection with the black-out, the lawn bowls programme was again curtailed yesterday, only four Second Round matches being played in the Colony Pairs Championship.

Honours of the day went to the Police pair W. Cameron and E. G. Post who, in beating J. W. Leonard and W. K. Way of Craigengower, chalked up a 7 at the 9th when they were already holding a comfortable lead of 8-2. They finally won by 24-14, the match being played at the Civil Service Cricket Club.

Post scored at 14 ends and it was due mainly to their better combination that the Police pair forged ahead slowly but surely, until they had gained a 24-12 lead by the penultimate end. Scores were:—

E.G.P.: 210021170001100  
11140  
W.K.W.: 0011000002110024  
00002

## Stranges Lose

C. E. Marques and J. E. Noronha beat the Strange brothers, E. and M., by 31 shots to 14 after scoring at 12 ends.

It was quite evident from the early stages that the Portuguese pair were too good for the brothers who, nevertheless, put up as good a fight as they could under the circumstances.

Noronha and his partner had two 5's, two 4's and two 3's included in their score, while the biggest count notched up by the Strange brothers was a 3 which came at the 5th end to trail 4-5. Thereafter, however, the Portuguese asserted themselves and by the 17th brought their total to double that of their opponents. Scores were:—

J.E.N.: 13010103410002051  
0450  
H.E.S.: 00103020002110100  
2001

## Interesting Game

At Club de Recreio B. A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens beat M. Ferguson and W. D. MacMaster by 21-16.

Scoring at 11 ends, the winners had a 5 at the 7th, and this rather consolidated their position, for they were, up till then, only leading 8-4. MacMaster, however, fought back doggedly, and had reduced the arrears to 15-16 by the 16th with 12 1 3 0 2, but a run of 2 1 0 1 clinched the issue for the Fung Kong Football Club pair. Scores were:—

G.E.S.: 2101205020009930  
12101  
W.M.M.: 0030010101121302  
00010

## Simpson's Good Run

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club A. Eastman and W. C. Simpson beat J. McCarrach and T. Pile by 25-11.

The winners scored at 14 ends and were playing the better brand of bowls right through. Their biggest count was a 4 at the 4th, but they had a good run of 13 0 2 1 2 1 2 to lead 18-3 at the 15th, and then they gave away a brace only to come back with 13 1 to finish off the game. Scores were:—

W.C.S.: 0104100130212130  
20131  
T.P.: 1010031002000001  
02000

George Lal, Craigengower Crikolet Club, Third Division League, tennis player, is a patient in Queen Mary Hospital where he recently underwent an operation. Lal has had some bad luck with illness this season. It will be recalled that earlier on a sprained wrist precluded his participation in sport, and just as he had recovered sufficiently to play tennis again he developed abdominal trouble which necessitated the operation from which he is now making good recovery.

# History Of U.S. Open Golf Championship

**AT WHAT AGE DOES A GOLFER HAVE TO ADMIT THAT HIS YEARS LESSEN HIS CHANCES OF WINNING THE AMERICA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP?**

Wood, at 39, going on 40—knew he could win the 1941 Open tournament at Colonial Club, Port Worth.

Age, Wood says, doesn't mean anything. In his opinion all a golfer needs to keep winning tournaments is distance and incentive. And big, blonde Craig says he has both of them, plus the valuable asset of experience.

But records show Wood's age was against him.

## Winner At 43

Only one player of more than 39 has won the title—Edward Ray of England was 43 when he came home first in 1920. Ray and Willie MacFarlane, who was 36 when he beat Bob Jones in the 1923 playoff, are the only winners beyond 35.

Actually, there have been only 10 winners in the 44 tournaments who were over 30. These were Joe Lloyd, 1897; Lawrence Auchterlone, 1902; Alex Smith, 1910; Ray, 1920; Jim Barnes, 1921; Cyril Walker, 1924; MacFarlane, 1925; Tommy Armour, 1927; Olin Dutra, 1934, and Tony Manero, 1936. Gene Sarazen was 38 when he tied Lawson Little and lost in last year's playoff.

## Terrific Strain

Wood believed his age would be of value in one respect: his years of competition would prevent him from becoming panicky under the terrific strain of the final day's play.

Many players with good early scores blow up in the drive down the stretch. Craig says he doesn't worry about those ahead of him, he just plays his best and waits for them to crack.

But some young fellows haven't acquired nerves and won't crack. Johnny McDermott probably didn't know what nerves were when he won the crown in 1911 at 19, the youngest champ. He repeated it the next year. Francis Ouimet was barely 20 when he became the first amateur to win in 1913, beating Harry Vardon and Rav, two British challengers, in a playoff. Sarazen was 20 when he won in 1922. Jones, in 1923 and Walter Hagen, in 1914, were 22 when they won their first championships. The average age of Open champions is in the middle twenties.

## At His Best

Wood has played perhaps the best golf of his career in the past two years. He shot an all-time low for a 72-hole medal play tournament over a championship length course in 1940, when he won the Metropolitan Open with 264, and he recently won the Augusta Masters.

Wood tied for the 1939 Open and lost in a playoff with Byron Nelson. Last year he was fourth. He has tied for first—and lost in the playoff—for two other major championships, the Professional Golfers' and the British Open.

# TO-DAY'S BOWLS FIXTURE

As far as can be ascertained up to the time of writing, there is only one Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship match arranged for this afternoon, this being the game between U. A. and A. H. Rumjahn, of Indian R.C. and H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, of Club de Recreio and holders of the title since 1939, on the Civil Service C.C. ground.

It is learned from Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, that the other postponed matches in this competition will be played to-morrow and on Friday, though he has had no notification regarding the new dates for these games.

Major Frank Hogg, popular veterinarian surgeon of Hong Kong Jockey Club, has gone to Australia on a short holiday. He will be back in the Colony in about two months' time.

Many well-known tennis players are taking part in the 54th invitation tournament at Seabright, New Jersey. First Round winners included Helen Jacobs, who beat Mrs. Coleman 6-1, 6-0, and Bobby Riggs, who beat J. Moorhead 6-1, 6-2. Arthur Marx, son of Groucho Marx, film comedian, was also among the winners.—Reuter.

Ray Robinson, young Philadelphia negro, who has been boxing professionally for a year, remains unbeaten following a decision in a 10-round bout against Sammy Angott, world lightweight champion, according to the National Boxing Association. The title was not at stake, but Robinson floored Angott twice in the second round and clearly won seven rounds.—Reuter.

# U.S. OPEN FACTS

**YOUNGEST CHAMPION**—Johnny McDermott was 19 when he won in 1911.

**OLDEST CHAMPION**—Edward Ray was 43 when he won in 1920.

**LOWEST SCORE**—Ralph Guldahl's 281 in 1937.

**HIGHEST SCORE**—Willie Anderson's 331 in 1901.

**FIRST WINNER BELOW 300**—Alex Smith, 295 in 1908.

**FIRST WINNER BELOW 290**—Charles Evans, 288 in 1916.

**MOST CHAMPIONSHIPS**—Willie Anderson and Bob Jones, 4.

**MOST SUCCESSIVE CHAMPIONSHIPS**—Anderson, three (1903-04-05).

**LAST FOREIGN WINNER**—Edward Ray of England in 1920 (Tommy Armour, living in U.S. but born in Scotland, 1927).

**FOREIGN-BORN PLAYOFF**—Armour and Harry Cooper, born in England, 1927.

**AMATEUR WINNERS**—Francis Ouimet (1913), Jerome Travers (1915), Charles Evans (1916), Bob Jones (1923, 26-29-30) and Johnny Goodman (1933).

# TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

A full programme of League Tennis matches is scheduled to be decided this afternoon, as follows:

C.R.C. (2) v. Recreio University v. Army T.C. Craigengower v. Kowloon Tong South China v. Kowloon C.C. Indian R.C. v. C.R.C. (2)

Some of the probable teams are:—Recreio: H. A. and C. A. Noronha, H. F. Gonsalves and A. E. Noronha, F. J. and J. J. Remedios.

Kowloon Tong: L. Chen and D. Kwok, A. H. Basile and C. M. Lee, S. Hsu and D. Chen.

Indian R.C.: M. P. Madar and A. R. H. Esmail, M. Abdul-Wahab and M. Hassan, A. Rahmin and I. Kitchell.

South China: J. Hsu and H. C. Kwok, K. H. Ip and S. Y. Li, K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong.

Kowloon Indians: S. A. and S. S. Hussain, Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sopher, M. Ramzan and K. S. Mehal.

Craigengower: J. W. Leonard and W. K. Lee, W. J. Howard and K. L. Woo; A. Kitchell and A. N. Other.

C.R.C. (2): Lu Tak-chauk and Wong Shu-wing, Ng Kam-chuen and P. F. Choy; L. F. Hon and Lam Yuk-ying.

C.R.C. (1): S. W. Wong and C. C. Luk; K. C. Ng and B. F. Choy; C. Y. Lam and C. N. Tsang.

# INTERPORT FOOTBALL

Though Shanghai and Manila were unable to send football teams to Hong Kong last year for Interport game, provision will be made by Hong Kong Football Association for such games in the Spring. Certain dates during the Chinese New Year holidays, for Interport games have already been reserved.

The annual Interport game with Macao is held during Easter week.

# FOOTBALL CLUB WITHOUT DAVIS

Hong Kong Football Club will be without the services of Davis, Fientin soccer Interporter, who played a number of games for them last season. Davis is leaving shortly on transfer.

The soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club are holding their annual meeting on August 30.

Pui Ngai Recreation Club, who were admitted to Third Division of Football League, was founded by employees of the cotton goods factories in Kowloon. To date they have done well in basketball, volleyball and in the miniature football league.



## SCHOOLS' AQUATIC MEETING

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB, EVER ANXIOUS AND WILLING TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG SWIMMERS, HAVE DECIDED TO HOLD A SWIMMING GALA ON AUGUST 23 WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO ALL SCHOOLS OF THE COLONY AND WHICH WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS RUN BY THE SCHOOLS THEMSELVES.

A preliminary meeting was held on July 10, when tentative arrangements were made for the gala, but a final meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5, when further points will be discussed.

One very important ruling of the competition is that all competitors representing any school must have been registered at least three months prior to the heats.

The events will be divided into three classes, namely Boys, senior and junior, and Girls. There is no age or height limit for senior boys, while the junior swimmers must be under 15 years of age and under 5 ft. 1 in. in height. There will be only one class for girl swimmers.

### Chance For All

In order that more swimmers may compete, no competitor will be allowed to enter for more than two individual events, excluding diving and relay races. A junior swimmer may compete in the senior events but not in both sections. The usual method of scoring will be carried out.

After the competition members of V.R.C. will give a demonstration of diving and swimming. Entries close on August 4, and sportsmasters are requested to send their entries in time and to attend the meeting on August 5.

Following is the list of events:

**BOYS' EVENTS (SENIOR)**

200 Yards free-style Relay (4 x 50)  
150 Yards Medley Relay Race  
100 Yards free-style  
220 Yards free-style  
100 Yards breaststroke  
100 Yards backstroke  
Fancy Diving (3 metre board)

**BOYS' EVENTS (JUNIOR)**

200 Yards free-style Relay  
150 Yards Medley Relay  
500 Yards free-style  
100 Yards free-style  
50 Yards backstroke  
50 Yards breaststroke  
Diving (one metre board)

**GIRLS' EVENTS**

200 Yards free-style Relay  
50 Yards free-style  
50 Yards backstroke  
50 Yards breaststroke  
Diving (three metre board).

New York Giants, who could win only five games from Brooklyn all last year, won the first three games from the Dodgers this season.



"Batling" Rio realised Hong Kong was dead as far as boxing was concerned and successfully sought laurels overseas.

## FRENCH CONVENT SPORT



Yvonne Yolle

## Yolle Sisters Will Be Missed

French Convent sport will suffer a severe blow when the school re-opens after the mid-Summer holidays in September, for amongst those who will have left school are the Yolle sisters, Yvonne and Jeanne, two of the leading lights.

Worse than that, however, is the fact that others who played such a prominent part in winning the 'A' Grade championship for the school at the All Schools' and Open Athletic Meeting earlier in the year will also probably be leaving, including Jacqueline Anderson, who is the school's leading swimmer, in addition to being a member of the softball, net-ball and athletic teams.

The champion team of last year comprised Yvonne Yolle, Jacqueline Anderson, Jamalee Abdul-Curree, Priscilla Pires, Connie Law and Jeanne Yolle, and it is more than likely that these only the Misses Abdul-Curree, Pires and Law will be left to carry on the good work.

### Victrix Ludorum

Yvonne Yolle was the senior Victrix Ludorum at the school's athletic sports last year. Her sister, Jeanne, was also prominent with some good performances, while Jackie Anderson is easily the school's best all-rounder.

It is interesting to note that Jamalee Abdul-Curree is the younger sister of Miss Hajara Abdul-Curree, who just took her Arts degree at Hong Kong University and who has been one of the leading all-round lady athletes at the University for a number of years. Like her elder sister, Jamalee is a useful performer in sprint races and is capable of covering the 100 Yards in just outside 12 seconds. She was also second to Yvonne Yolle in the 220 Yards and High Jump at the school sports early this year.

Miss Pires is also a sprinter of no mean ability, while another member of the Yolle family, Colette, who was one of the best junior performers at the

## KID ANDRE COMEBACK IN SHANGHAI

News received from Shanghai is to the effect that Kid Andre, one time leading contender for the light-heavyweight boxing title of China, will be making a comeback at the Candrome on August 10, when, in the tournament sponsored by Shanghai Sports Association, he will be in opposition to "Yam" Yamolovich, one of the best scrappers at that weight, in the Northern city to-day.

Indications are that those in charge of the Shanghai Sports Association are planning their future boxing programme on an elaborate scale and they already have in the offing a fight for the light-heavyweight championship of the Orient between Nicki Wan and "Kayo" Tihanoff.

### Whither Hong Kong?

A Shanghai sports writer so aptly puts it, "things are certainly looking up in 'Cauliflower Row' in that city where, in sharp contrast to Hong Kong, boxing not only enjoys a big following, but where even the most inexperienced of boxers are given every encouragement at the slightest sign of promise.

Boxing in Hong Kong died a natural death with the winding up of Hong Kong Boxing Association some years ago, and for some time now the only boxing that is enjoyed are the Army tournaments, but these are too few and far between. As a result of this complete lack of interest in boxing here, some of the most promising youngsters, "Young" Armin and "Iron" Bux Jnr., to name only two, have had to be content with "shadow boxing" for some three or four years.

### One Fighter Lost

"Batling" Rio, who was so keen on the game, left the Colony to seek laurels in Malaya, and reports received in the Colony from time to time appear to bear out Rio's contention that if a Hong Kong boxer wants action and opportunity his best bet is to leave the Colony.

Rio won the middleweight title of Java and the welterweight championship of the Orient.

He is the second Hong Kong-born boxer to have won a Far Eastern title, "Iron" Bux, father of "Iron" Bux Jnr., being the first when he won the lightweight championship of the Orient some 25 years ago. He also won every title in the Philippines, from bantamweight to middleweight at one time or another.

Johnny Knolla, America's leading ground gainer as a Croighton University back last Autumn, has signed to play pro football with Pittsburgh Steelers, but many become a marine officer.

## LOUIS GOOD AS EVER SAYS BAER

Talkative Max Baer, former playboy of the squared arena, has placed himself on record as saying that Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, is "just carrying the boys along" to keep up interest in the heavyweight division of the fight game.

"Joe is as good as the night he knocked me out and he is just carrying the boys now for business reasons," Baer said.

## BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of Hong Kong Baseball League will be held this afternoon to consider H.B.'s resignation from the League and to re-arrange the fixtures for the rest of the season.

The annual representatives' meeting of Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will be held on Thursday next, July 31. The new committee for the coming year will be elected at this meeting.

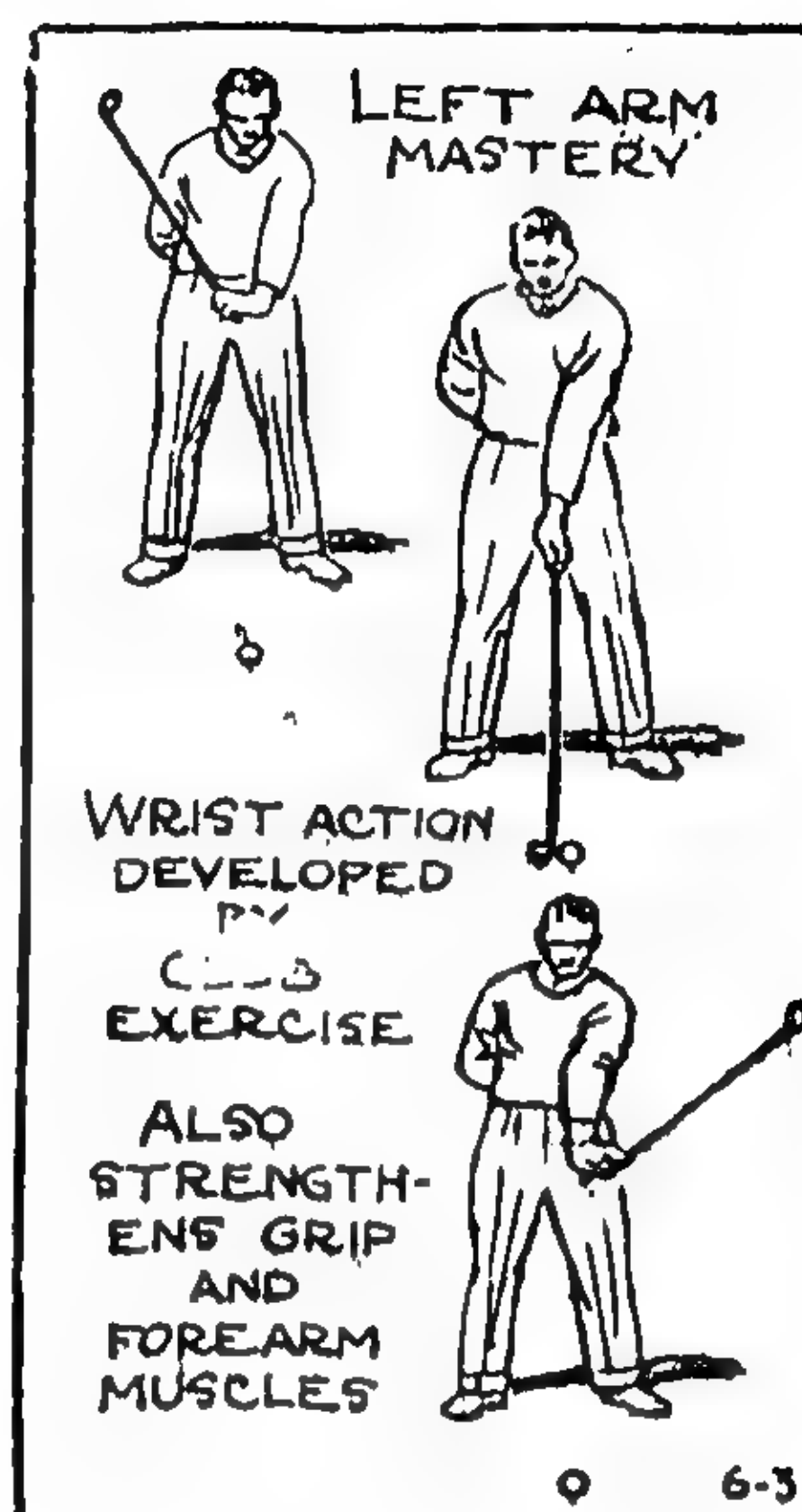
## Easier Golf

### IMPROVING THE LEFT ARM ACTION

By Best Ball

To achieve left arm mastery in golf it is often necessary to give some time to practice with this arm alone. As a matter of fact such a procedure will be a help to any golfer intent on improving his game. For this exercise not only makes one more left arm conscious; it also strengthens the muscles and grip of the left hand and forearm besides developing a more flexible left wrist.

Golfers may vary the routine to suit their own ideas of development but the above exercise serves the purpose quite well. Standing in his customary golf stance, left arm extended and gripping the club, the player swings the club to the right by a roll of the forearm, supplementing this action with a wrist turn which carries the club in a sharp arc upward. The downswing is made by reversing this process, swinging the club down and ahead by a forearm twist, then bending the left wrist to complete



the stroke. Employ a light club at first for this exercise, increasing the weight as one gains in strength and proficiency.

Next Article:—Don't Dash Club Down.

last meeting, is expected to keep the family flag flying amongst the seniors this year.

The school's softball team will also be considerably weakened as a result of these departures, for Yvonne Yolle was best batting, as well as fielding, performer last season, while Jackie Anderson was the team's heaviest slugger. Jeanne Yolle also played well in the field.

Wayne Sabin of Reno, Nevada, second seeded player, advanced to the final of the annual Bathing and Tennis Club's invitation tournament at Speding Lake, N.J., on July 11 by eliminating Jack Kramer of Los Angeles, third seeded, in a five-set battle, 4-6, 6-1, 6-3, 6-1, 6-0. "Pitchin' Paul" Christian, Missouri's fine back, plays first base in baseball.

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# JAPANESE NORTHERN TROOP MOVEMENTS

## Attack On Siberia Still Believed Unlikely

### Japan's Observers In Russia Praise

#### Red Army

##### SOVIET HOLD ANOTHER VIEW

An early Japanese move against Siberia is believed likely by Soviet well-informed circles in Shanghai which are of opinion that should anything happen in Indo-China it would be in the nature of a smoke-screen for activities on the Manchurian border.—Reuter.

DESPITE REPORTS of Japanese troop movements northwards from China in the direction of Outer Mongolia and Siberia, well-informed Washington circles do not believe Japan intends any immediate attack on Siberia.

It is felt she is more likely to make a move to establish herself more firmly in Indo-China, to be ready for any future promising developments.

It is similarly believed that such troop-moving north is in conformity with the policy of watchful waiting in readiness to strike should Russia completely collapse before the German onslaught and should this result in the breakdown of the Russian Far Eastern Army.

Japan, however, does not appear to expect such a collapse. Only first-hand accounts of the Russian fighting to reach Washington comes from the Far East, Japanese military attaches being the only foreign military people allowed to visit the Russian front. Their reports, it is credibly stated in Washington, reflect admiration for the manner in which the Red Army is being

—everywhere it is the expression of the people's firm confidence in our victory.—Reuter.

used, adding it holds the line as long as possible and withdraws in reasonable order and then attacks the German flanks and often the rear as well. Japanese observers are quoted as saying these movements are "beautifully executed."

##### Fighting Force

While they are said to express the belief that Leningrad and Kiev will be occupied and the Germans will eventually reach Moscow, they are stated to hold the view that the bulk of the Red Army will withdraw as a fighting force to the east of the Soviet capital.—Reuter.

#### RED ARMY HOLDS SMOLENSK

(Continued from Page 1) plant were destroyed or severely damaged.

##### Soviet Communique

The following communique was issued by the Soviet Information Bureau last night:—  
"On July 22 our forces were engaged in heavy fighting on Petra Zavodsk, Porkhov, Smolensk and Zhitomir directions. There were no essential changes in the position of our troops on the front. On July 22, our aircraft brought down 87 enemy planes. We lost 14 planes.  
"According to supplementary information 22 German bombers were brought down in an attempt to make a mass raid on Moscow on the night of July 21.

##### Nazi Losses

These losses must be considered very great under the conditions of a night raid. Scattered and demoralised by our night fighters and anti-aircraft guns, German planes dropped most of their bombs in woods and fields outside Moscow.  
"Not a single military target was touched nor was any damage done to municipal enterprises.  
"Mention should be made of the splendid service rendered by the Fire Brigade, Militia and also by the Moscow population, who quickly extinguished incendiary bombs dropped on the city by individual planes which broke through, and also quickly got fires under control."

##### Pitkaranta Claim

A Finnish communique claims that Finnish troops have occupied and passed Pitkaranta in their advance north-east of Lake Ladoga, according to a Helsinki telegram to the official Italian news agency.—Reuter.

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#### STOP PRESS

Admiral Toyoda, the new Japanese Foreign Minister, has told high officials of the Foreign Office that his policy will remain absolutely unchanged from that of his predecessor, Mr. Matsuoka, according to the Domei Agency.

Importance is attached to the fact that Dr. Kumataro Honda, Japan's Ambassador to the Japanese-sponsored Wang Government at Nanking has withdrawn the resignation he tendered on the advent of the new government.

In Japanese circles, this is described as proof of the 'immutability' of Japan's policy towards China.

Declaring that three days ago the new Japanese Foreign Minister called on the German and Italian Ambassadors and reiterated Japan's adherence to the Axis, Japanese circles in Tokyo suggest that the fact that he saw the Axis envoys before the customary interview with diplomatic representatives, which has been fixed for Friday, is sufficient to dispel any talk of a change in the country's policy.

It is announced that Mr. Kumachi Yamamoto, Director of the Bureau of East Asiatic Affairs, has been appointed Vice-Minister at the Foreign Office in succession to Mr. Ohashi, who resigned as a sequel to the recent Cabinet changes.—Reuter.

Midnight news from the eastern front shows that the Russians are fighting furiously to stem a new triple offensive by the Nazis against Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The arrest of numerous high officers of the Bolivian Army has been announced by the Government at La Paz. Those detained include six at the La Paz Military College.

The round-up of suspects centered on the capital and the province of Cochabamba, where "a large number of officers and civilians, including German residents, have been taken into custody."

Complications may arise from the fact that Bolivia is still insisting that Dr. Wendler, the German Minister, should leave the country to-day. He declares he is still awaiting Berlin's instructions. He has again denied the accusation of complicity.

The Bolivian Government has promised a full statement in a few days.

## Bolivian Allegations

The newspapers state that three secret radio transmitters were found in the homes of German business men and that caches of arms and ammunition have been found under the control of German firms.

Meanwhile, a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman yesterday described the Bolivian incident as "interesting as the United States is bringing pressure over the La Paz affair for war mongering." The evidence of activities by Dr. Wendler he described as "fabrication." —International News Service.

MOSCOW  
RAID: BY A  
WITNESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

(By Alex Werth, INS  
Correspondent in Moscow.)

The German raid on Moscow on Monday night, described as "devastating" in Berlin, would be called "mild" in London.

The Luftwaffe, which seems to have attacked with about 200 planes, seems to have underestimated the capacity of the Russian anti-aircraft defenses.

Few of the German raiders got through to Moscow. Some 22 were shot down.

Many incendiary bombs were dropped in the city and in the outskirts, but they were quenched before they could start fires causing serious damage. —International News Service.

Defensive Power  
Miscalculated

THOUGHTFUL GERMANS, ACCORDING TO LATEST REPORTS, ARE BEGINNING TO REALISE THAT HITLER MADE A DISASTROUS MISTAKE BY INVADING RUSSIA INSTEAD OF CONCENTRATING HIS EFFORTS ON THE DRIVE ON THE BRITISH FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN, SEIZING THE IRAQ OIL WELLS AND THE SUEZ CANAL.

BATTLE IN  
SMOLENSK  
WEDGE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stubborn fighting is still proceeding in the Polotsk, Nevel and Smolensk sectors, but there is no heavy activity in other zones, according to last night's Moscow High Command communique.

Violent fighting is proceeding round Smolensk, where the Germans are straining every resource to increase the depth of their wedge.

Nazi quarters stated yesterday that thousands of Russian troops, left behind at Minsk, are retreating southwards towards the Pripiet Marshes. They "do not see how these divisions can get past the swamps."

Berlin military quarters still talk in terms of "general advance," "veritable slaughter on the major fronts," "regiments annihilated," and "repeated break-through attempts by the Russians." —International News Service.

## Midnight News

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Hitler apparently took the drastic decision on political grounds, without paying sufficient attention to the German army's information over the Soviet strength in a defensive war.

In attacking Russia he hoped first to win world sympathy for his anti-Bolshevik "crusade" and secondly, to steal the thunder of internal critics among old members of the Nazi party — what is commonly called the Hess Group — who disapproved of all rapprochement with Russia.

He failed in both these aims because of the determined reaction of the Anglo-Saxon powers and the continued restiveness of the Hess Group, whose secret activity demonstrates the rottenness and corruption amongst present Nazi leaders.

A variety of reasons provoked strong opposition to an invasion of Russia among those nearest to Hitler.

Whereas Goering feared to see the Luftwaffe crippled, high Foreign Office and industrial circles believed that an invasion would destroy the Soviet goose which laid golden eggs in the shape of much-needed trade deliveries.

Military circles showed a divided front, many through expert knowledge of Soviet conditions, fearing the worst.

## Inflated Generals

The most enterprising blitzkrieg generals, List, von Reichenau and Blaskewitz, inflated with success, are reported to have favoured Hitler's plan but General Keitel, after first approving, changed his mind at the last minute when it was too late to sway Hitler's purpose.

As regards Rudolf Hess, information is continually heaping up indicating that his peace mission was undertaken without Hitler's cognisance.

A visitor to Berchtesgaden shortly after the departure of Hess reported that Hitler was most upset and filled with mistrust of his entourage.

## Messerschmitt Arrested

Despite the official denial, the belief persists that Messerschmitt, the famous plane constructor and a member of the Hess Group, personally placed at the disposal of Hess the Messerschmitt in which he undertook his flight to Scotland, and was arrested subsequently. —Reuter.

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JAPANESE  
ESPIONAGE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

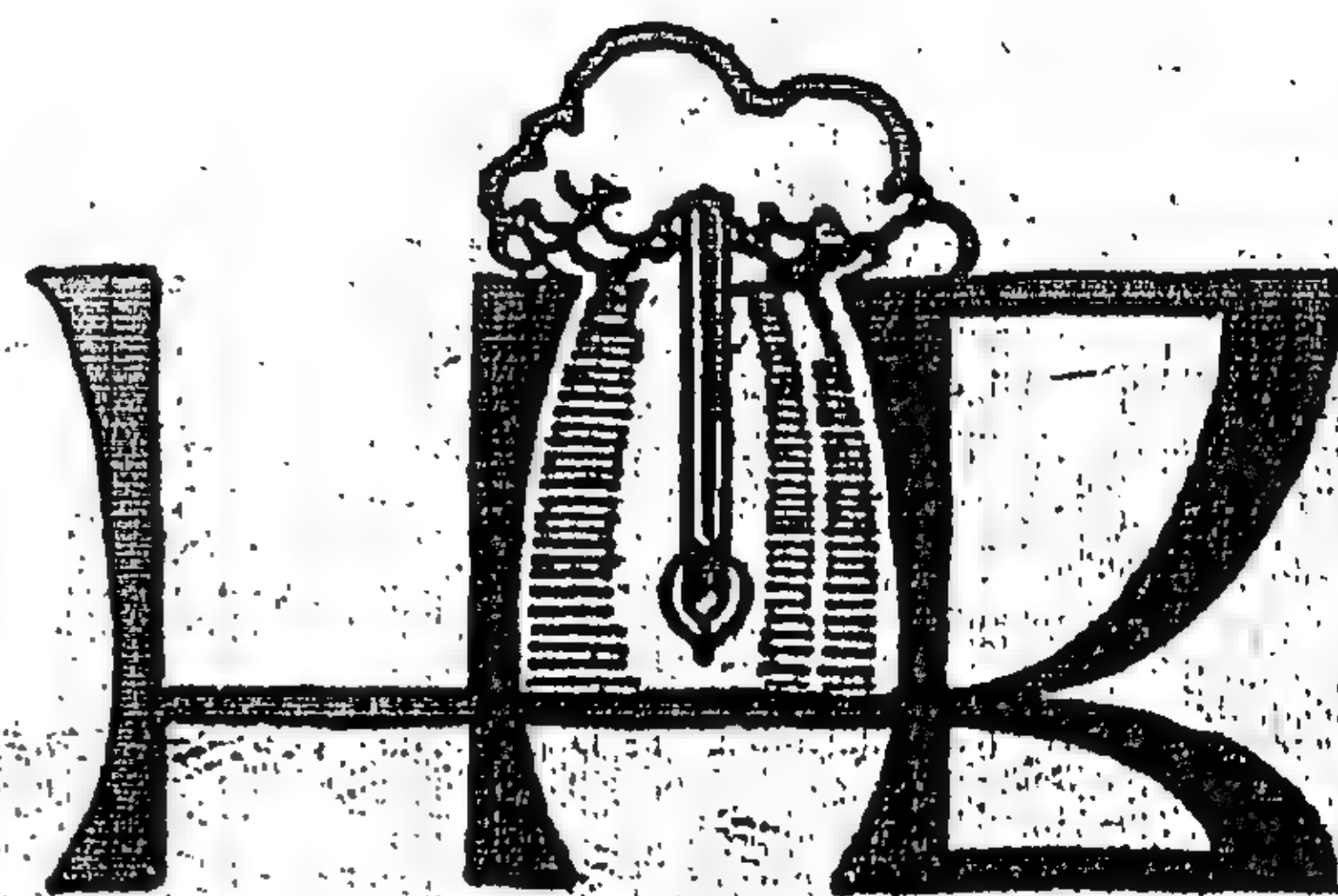
IT WAS REPORTED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT MARTIN DIES, THE CONGRESS INVESTIGATOR, HAD GATHERED "SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE," WHICH HE WOULD SOON DISCLOSE TO THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL HEARINGS OF ALLEGED JAPANESE ESPIONAGE THROUGH CONSULAR OFFICES.

It is said that Dies will not consult the State Department.

He is quoted as having said: "It is time we had a showdown on all phases of Japanese activity."

He plans to call at least twenty witnesses, mainly from the West Coast, on Japanese espionage. —International News Service.

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# American Loan To Britain Given Wall Street Blessing

## ITALIAN TRAIN SMASH

Italy's second train smash in three days occurred near Naples yesterday morning, states a Rome despatch. Two trains collided in the station at Baies. Hitherto 12 injured people have been dug out of the wreckage.—Reuter.

## Substantial Backing

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF AN AMERICAN LOAN TO BRITAIN, MADE OVER THE RADIO EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING IN WASHINGTON, SURPRISED MOST PEOPLE BUT IS NOT EXPECTED TO AROUSE ANYTHING BUT APPROVAL.**

It is increasingly realised by the average person that in the interests of world economy in general and America particularly, that Britain is essential as a going business concern and that unless she can earn she cannot buy.

The spirit in evidence before the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill amongst those who opposed that Bill—that Britain should be given nothing until investments on the American side of the Atlantic are liquidated—has disappeared and the present loan is likely to assume the appearance of an act between allied concerns which are in business with a single objective—the destruction of Nazism.

Amongst the few businessmen contacted early yesterday morning the first reaction was that it is a far more sensible arrangement to lend money against such excellent collateral than to ruin the market by dumping securities in order to liquidate them for ready cash.

### Rally On Market

Removal of a huge volume of British-owned American securities from the market as loan collateral provided an added stimulus yesterday to yesterday morning's rally of the New York Stock Exchange, although announcement of the loan had been expected for some time.

Wall Street welcomes the removal of the possibility of additional forced liquidations which has been one of the numerous threats hanging over the market in the last several months.—Reuter.

## The Axis Menace

"IN MY OPINION OUR PERIL IS GREATER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN IN OUR HISTORY," SAID GENERAL J. M. PALMER IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, WHEN TESTIFYING BEFORE THE SENATE MILITARY COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S REQUEST ON MONDAY FOR THE RETENTION OF THE DRAFT SELECTEES FOR A FURTHER PERIOD OF ACTIVE SERVICE IN THE ARMY.

"All the forces of Nazism are deployed against us," General Palmer continued. "In order to achieve his aim, Hitler must conquer or encircle the United States."

General Palmer, who is now retired, was former Chief of Staff under General Pershing.—Reuter.

### POSSESSION OF WARDS

A 31-year-old woman, Yam So, of No. 345, Queen's Road West, was fined \$40 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for failing to report the possession of two wards, Chau Chu, 10, and Chau Nui, 9.

Mr. H. W. Fraser told the Court that the girls were brought to Hong Kong in 1938, and no report had been made to the S.C.A.



The shortage of cigarettes in England and the talk of a possible ban on "smokes for women" has not worried this young City typist. She has solved the problem by making her own cigarettes.

## ANGLO-CHINESE SOCIETY TO AID "INDUSCO"

**THE FORMATION of an Anglo-Chinese Development Society to assist the Industrial Cooperative movement in China, commonly called the "Indusco" was announced by a member of the House of Commons, Alfred Barnes, chairman of the Cooperative Party, at a largely attended China Campaign Committee luncheon in London yesterday.**

Mr. Barnes said he was first approached in 1939 to assist China's cooperative societies. The question bristled with problems, partly due to the British legal restrictions which forbade direct financing by cooperative societies.

The Anglo-Chinese Development Society was in the nature of a compromise to get round these difficulties. It had a strong Anglo-Chinese Committee, with numerous commercial and technical advisers and a representative list of shareholders. Mr. Barnes emphasised that the new Society was strictly a business enterprise and every pound expended was meant to earn another pound.

### Government Guarantee

Chinese Government guarantee has been obtained for its transactions, which at present consisted mostly of purchases of machinery for "Indusco" and loans to members.

Later on the Society hoped to promote a flow of Chinese exports to Britain. With these small beginnings, said Mr. Barnes, "I believe we have started something which will spread to all workers of the

world, promoting mutual economic interests as the surest basis of peace."

Dr. P. W. Kuo, presiding, graphically described the success already achieved by the "Indusco" now comprising 2,000 groups which he described as one of the brightest aspects of the war.—Reuter.

### BATAVIA WITH A "V"

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

As a result of the campaign initiated by Mr. Churchill, the "V for Victory" sign has been introduced in Batavia by the local Indo-Europeesch Verbond (one of the greatest of the political parties) which took the initiative yesterday by selling orange-coloured "V" badges.—Reuter.



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# ATTEMPT TO CUT BURMA ROAD

## Chinese Visualise Attack From Indo-China

### SHARP GERMAN NOTE TO BOLIVIA

Authoritative quarters in Berlin state that the German Government yesterday sent a sharp note of protest to the Bolivian Government on its behaviour to the German Minister there, states the official German News Agency.—Reuter.

### DAYLIGHT SWEEP BY R.A.F.

A daylight R.A.F. attack on shipbuilding yards on the Seine and extensive sweeps over Northern France yesterday were reported in an Air Ministry communique.

The communique said that early in the afternoon Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command escorted by fighters attacked shipbuilding yards at Le Trait, on the Seine, west of Rouen.

Bursts were seen on sheds and slipways and the target was left hidden in smoke.

Our fighters also carried out extensive sweeps over Northern France.

In the course of these operations four enemy fighters were destroyed. Our losses were three fighters.—Reuter.

### SIGNIFICANT STEP BY JAPAN

IN ANNOUNCING at his press conference yesterday that the Japanese Government had just established a censorship over radio and cable communication, President Roosevelt declined to express any view on Japanese intentions.

He refused to say whether he expected any new aggressive move by Japan in the near future, referring the question of that subject to the State Department.

When asked whether he regarded the censorship step as significant, the President replied in the affirmative, but declined to elaborate along that line.

Just as the reporters were filing into the White House for the conference, the President's naval aide-de-camp, handed President Roosevelt a copy of a despatch which had just arrived in Washington at the Navy Department, telling of the establishment of the censorship.

Afterwards, the President told the Press "Maybe, there might be new steps." Asked to amplify, he replied: "Maybe covers the situation." — Reuter.

### To Precede Expansion Activity

THE POSSIBILITY THAT JAPAN MAY SHORTLY LAUNCH A NEW DRIVE IN AN ATTEMPT TO CUT THE BURMA ROAD WHILE AWAITING CLARIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION BEFORE DECIDING ON A NORTH OR SOUTH EXPANSION, IS BEING DISCUSSED IN CHUNGKING.

The present Japanese negotiations with Indo-China are probably connected with the forthcoming drive since Japan is expected to use Indo-China as a base for attack.

Chinese opinion further contends that Japan may push northward from Luokay along the railway towards Kunming or westward into Burma or both.

JAPANESE TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM VARIOUS FRONTS IN CHINA, AND THE SIGHTING OF A JAPANESE CONVOY MOVING SOUTH FROM CANTON, ARE ATTRACTING CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION HERE.

#### Sumita's Call

The head of the Japanese military mission in Indo-China, Major-General Sumita, called on Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China, last evening for a talk lasting an hour, according to a Hanoi telegram to Tokyo.

Another meeting is expected today which will be the third of successive days.

Absolutely no details have been vouchsafed regarding the outcome of the discussions and it is understood that General Sumita is now awaiting fresh instructions from Tokyo.—Reuter.

#### Singapore Broadcast

Reports that the British were contemplating some form of unspecified action in Indo-China were categorically denied in a statement read both in English and French over the Singapore radio last night.

The statement hinted that the Japanese circulated these rumours

as an attempt to justify Japanese action in that country. It ran:—

"Well-informed quarters in Singapore are much surprised by rumours of impending British action in Indo-China. In fact there is no question of any such action, and it is considered the rumours were possibly being circulated to pave the way for action by Japan.

"An attempt may be made to justify the new Japanese demands on Indo-China by a bogey British intervention. The British policy in Indo-China has consistently been to assist to maintain the integrity of that country against any interference from outside.

#### Vichy Pressure

"To this end the British have striven to maintain normal trading relations with Indo-China and refrained from encouraging any attempts to undermine the position of the authorities there. It is realised that strong pressure has been brought to bear on General Decoux from Vichy and it is hoped he will be able to resist it.

"Britain will certainly do nothing, and has done nothing, to increase Indo-China's difficulties." — Reuter.

#### No Change in Foreign Policy

Admiral Toyoda, the new Japanese Foreign Minister, has told high officials of the Foreign Office that his policy will remain absolutely unchanged from that of his predecessor, Mr. Matsuoka, according to the Domei Agency.

Importance is attached to the fact that Dr. Kumataro Honda, Japan's Ambassador to the Japanese-sponsored Wang Government at Nanking has withdrawn the resignation he tendered on the advent of the new government.

In Japanese circles, this is described as proof of the 'immutability' of Japan's policy towards China.

#### Significant Call

Declaring that three days ago the new Japanese Foreign Minister called on the German and Italian Ambassadors and reiterated Japan's adherence to the Axis, Japanese circles in Tokyo suggest that the fact that he saw the Axis envoys before the customary interview with diplomatic representatives, which has been fixed for Friday, is sufficient to dispel any talk of a change in the country's policy.

It is announced that Mr. Kumatsuki Yamamoto, Director of the Bureau of East Asiatic Affairs, has been appointed Vice-Minister at the Foreign Office in succession to Mr. Ohashi, who resigned as a sequel to the recent Cabinet changes.—Reuter.

#### CALL-UP OF MORE WOMEN

All women born in 1916 will register at the offices of the Ministry of Labour on August 2. It was announced in London last night. — British Wireless.

### EAST AFRICAN CONQUEST REVELATIONS

General Cunningham's force in East Africa did not exceed 20,000 infantry and 68 guns, it was officially announced in Nairobi yesterday, but they defeated Italian forces numbering 170,000, including 96,000 infantry and 400 guns.—Reuter.

### NO BOMBS DROPPED

An official Air Ministry communique states: "A small number of enemy aircraft approached our coast yesterday but few flew inland. There is no report of any bombs being dropped. — British Wireless.

### No Break Yet With Finland

After careful consideration the British Government has decided at present to maintain diplomatic relations with Finland.

It has at the same time left the Finnish Government in no doubt that this decision to continue may at any time be reversed in the light of events.

This announcement was made by Lord Snell in the House of Lords yesterday afternoon.

Lord Snell intimated that the issue of navicerts for goods destined to Finland had ceased and that no facilities were being given for ships to proceed to Finland.—Reuter.

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# INDIANS AGREE TO JOIN VICEROY'S NEW WAR CABINET

A WHITE PAPER ON "INDIA AND THE WAR," PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT YESTERDAY BY MR. L. M. AMERY, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA, GIVES DETAILS OF THE PROPOSALS UNDER WHICH INDIANS ARE TO BE ABSORBED IN THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND MORE INDIANS ARE TO HOLD PORTFOLIOS IN THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

It is hoped by this means to augment and consolidate India's war effort and it has the backing of most influential groups of Indian opinion.

The new members of the Executive Council are as representative of and as responsive to public opinion as the refusal of the Congress Party and the Muslim League to cooperate makes possible.

The White Paper announced a decision to enlarge the Executive Council in order to permit of the repatriation of the portfolios of Law and Supply and of Commerce and Labour, and the division of the present portfolios of education, health and lands, into separate portfolios of Education, Health and Lands and Indians Overseas, and also the creation of portfolios of Information and Civil Defence.

The Viceroy has also succeeded in securing cooperation in the establishment of a National Defence Council of distinguished and representative Indians in British India and the rulers of the Indian States.

## A War Cabinet

Though no constitutional change is involved in these announcements and the enlarged Executive Council will not be responsible to the Legislature, the Viceroy will now have what, to all intents and purposes, is a War Cabinet with a marked majority of Indian public men instead of the former European and official majority.

Authoritative quarters recall that in various statements made on behalf of the British Government since the outbreak of war, it has been made clear that constitutional changes in India are quite impracticable while the British Empire is engaged in a vital struggle for its existence and that an agreement between the major political parties and interests in India is a fundamental condition of the consideration of any new constitutional scheme.

## Door Left Open

It was last summer, following many attempts to ease political tension in India, and to bring Indian public opinion into close contact with the central government in the conduct of the war, that the Viceroy formulated proposals for the extension of his Council and for setting up what was then described as a War Advisory Council.

For a number of reasons, these proposals were found to be unacceptable by the major political parties in India, but it was made clear by the Viceroy that the Government would leave the door open for acceptance of such a plan as soon as a sufficient degree of representative support was forthcoming.

## Politics Unchanged

During the intervening months, all endeavours of the Viceroy were directed towards finding a way in which Indian public opinion could be brought more intimately into association with the administration in all matters connected with the war effort.

There is nothing to indicate at present that political conditions in India are on the way towards being bridged. Whitehall points out that the Viceroy waited for no less than 11 months since the feeling of political parties in India to enter Government before extending invitations to the individuals he has now called to the service of their country.

## Ready To Cooperate

Nevertheless, the creating of a National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community, which

are ready to cooperate. There are 22 representatives of British India on the Council.

Representatives of the Indian States will, all of them, be Princes with the possible exception of Hyderabad.

The National Defence Council will meet at intervals under the Chairmanship of the Viceroy and the Council will on each occasion receive a confidential statement on the war position and of the position in regard to supply.

## New Members

The new Member for Supply is Sir Hormusji Peroshaw Mody, member of the Central Legislative Assembly. He was chairman of the Bombay Millowners Association and is director of the famous Iron and Steel firm of Tata and Chairman of the Central Bank of India.

The Member for Information is Sir Akbar Hydari. He is a Privy Councillor and until recently was President of Nizam of Hyderabad's Executive Council. He was the leader of Hyderabad's State Delegation to the three Round Table Conferences in London.

Member for Civil Defence is Mr. Iraghavendra Rao. He was acting Governor of the Central Provinces in 1936 and has twice been a Minister in the Central Provinces Government of which he was appointed Home Member in 1930.

Member for Labour is Sir Firoz Khan Noon, High Commissioner for India in London, who has only very recently returned from an extensive tour of the United States.

Member for Indians Overseas is Mr. Madhao Shrihari Aney. He is a member of the Legislative Assembly for Bihar and was acting President of the Indian Congress Party in 1923 and a member of the working Committee until 1934.

The new Law Member is Sir Sultan Ahmed, Advocate-General of Bihar. The new Member for Education, Health and Land, is Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar, ex-Finance Minister of the Bengal Government.

The creation of the National Defence Council associates with India's war effort representatives of all influential sections of the community which are ready to cooperate and answer the insistent demand for something of this kind.—Reuter.

## STALIN THANKS MOSCOW'S A.R.P.

In an Order of the Day issued in Moscow yesterday, M. Stalin, as Commissar for Defence, attributes the dispersal of the German air raiders to the vigilance of the air observation service, night fighters, organised anti-aircraft fire and searchlight crews, while the fire-fighting brigades and city militia were also thanked.

Thanks to the measures taken by these organisations, said M. Stalin, the order of the enemy's planes was upset, only isolated planes penetrating to the capital.—Reuter.

## ARMISTICE CONTROL IN SYRIA

Major-General John Chrystall has been appointed chairman of the Armistice Control Commission in Syria.

Chief Vichy representative is General de Verdillac, who was principal Vichy delegate during the armistice negotiations.—Reuter.

## MIXED INDIAN RECEPTION

The announcement of the expansion of the Viceroy of India's Executive Council and the establishment of a National Defence Council has been given a mixed reception by the Indian press and party leaders, says a Bombay message.

While Mr. Savarkar, President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, welcomes the step, Mr. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, says it is to be most deeply regretted.

"It will not," he says, "secure the whole-hearted, willing and genuine support of Muslim India for the simple reason that the persons chosen and nominated by the Viceroy are neither real representatives of the people, nor will they command the confidence and trust of Muslims."

Mr. Savakar says it is a step in the right direction but that it is, as usual, belated and hating.

The British-owned newspaper, the "Times of India," of Bombay, says the "new Government of India is unprecedented in Indian history and does establish two important principles. For the first time it is overwhelmingly Indian and overwhelmingly non-official. It is widely representative of the provinces and can claim, in many respects, to be a National Government."

The vernacular newspaper, the "Amrita Bazar Patrika," of Calcutta, says the "re-constituted Cabinet is neither fish, flesh nor good red herring. It is, therefore, not clear what particular object this Cabinet will serve."—Reuter.

## EMBEZZLEMENT

Found guilty of embezzlement, Kam Kai-ming, 24, electrician, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning.

Defendant collected \$15.75 from a customer of his employer, Mr. Arthur Ho, radio shop manager, and spent the money.



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# TEAM OF ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE

## GANDHI UNMOVED BY ACTION

THE MAHATMA GANDHI, IN AN INTERVIEW AT WARDHA, TOLD REUTER THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE EXPANSION OF THE VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL DEFENCE COUNCIL DOES NOT AFFECT THE STAND TAKEN BY CONGRESS. NOR DOES IT MEET THE CONGRESS DEMAND.

Replying to a further question, he said: "I can at once say that I have no authority to prevent members of the All-India Congress Committee from doing anything they wish to do."

"The authority given me by that Committee does not permit my interference with the fullest freedom of its members, and in any case the body that gave me authority can, at any time, refuse it or withdraw it." — Reuter.

MR. L. AMERY, Secretary of State for India, in London last night described those who had joined the Viceroy's Executive Council as a "team of ability and experience which it would be difficult to rival in India, or indeed elsewhere."

They were, he declared, men with administrative, political and business experience and personal ability. The Viceroy's War Cabinet would be a very much stronger body for their inclusion.

They would, in the fullest sense, share in the collective responsibility and the statutory responsibility of the Executive Council, as well as direct the important departments which had been entrusted to them.

The aim, said Mr. Amery, was to increase the efficiency of the Government and to make full use of the vast and hitherto insufficiently tapped reservoir of Indian ability and patriotism. The measures, "marking a change in the spirit, if not in the letter of India's Constitution" were an earnest of the British Government's desire to transfer to Indian hands a steadily increasing share in India's destiny.

### Not "Yes Men"

"The National Defence Council will be very far from being a

body of 'yes men,'" said Mr. Amery. At a meeting of the Council, members would be told in confidence of the affairs which they would discuss with the Viceroy and in turn put forward their own suggestions. After the meeting they would return to their own provinces and confer with their representatives.

In this way it was hoped there would be continual contact between the Viceroy and his executive on the one hand, and Provincial or State Government, local war committees and war committees or industrial organisations on the other.

### Common Interest

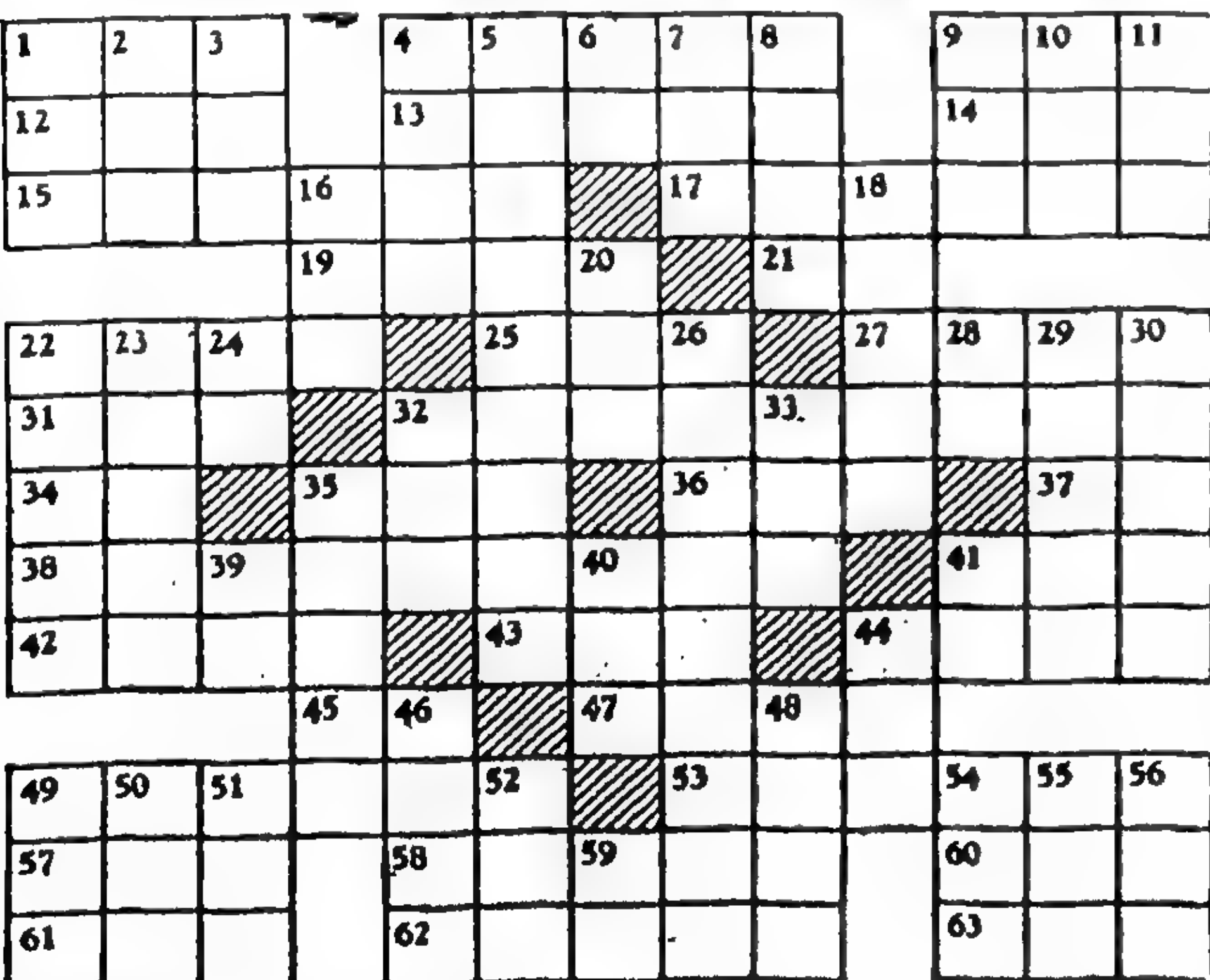
Mr. Amery thought that ought to prove most helpful in guiding and stimulating India's war effort. "I cannot help hoping, that in the course of working together side by side, in the common interest of India's safety and India's future, representatives in these bodies of men of every political complexion and community will be drawn closer. I hope they will find bonds of mutual understanding and sympathy that may immensely facilitate the solution of those very difficult inter-communal and inter-Party problems which are to-day the main obstacle to India's attainment of her rightful position as a free and equal member in the British Commonwealth."

### Twenty-Two Named

Twenty-two representatives from British India on the Defence Council have been named. Representatives of the Indian States will all be Princes with the possible exception of Hyderabad and the Viceroy has invited them to sit in rotation of nine at each meeting.

British India representatives include one woman: the Begum Shah Nawaz, who was a member of the Round Table Conference and of the Joint Select Committee.—Reuter.

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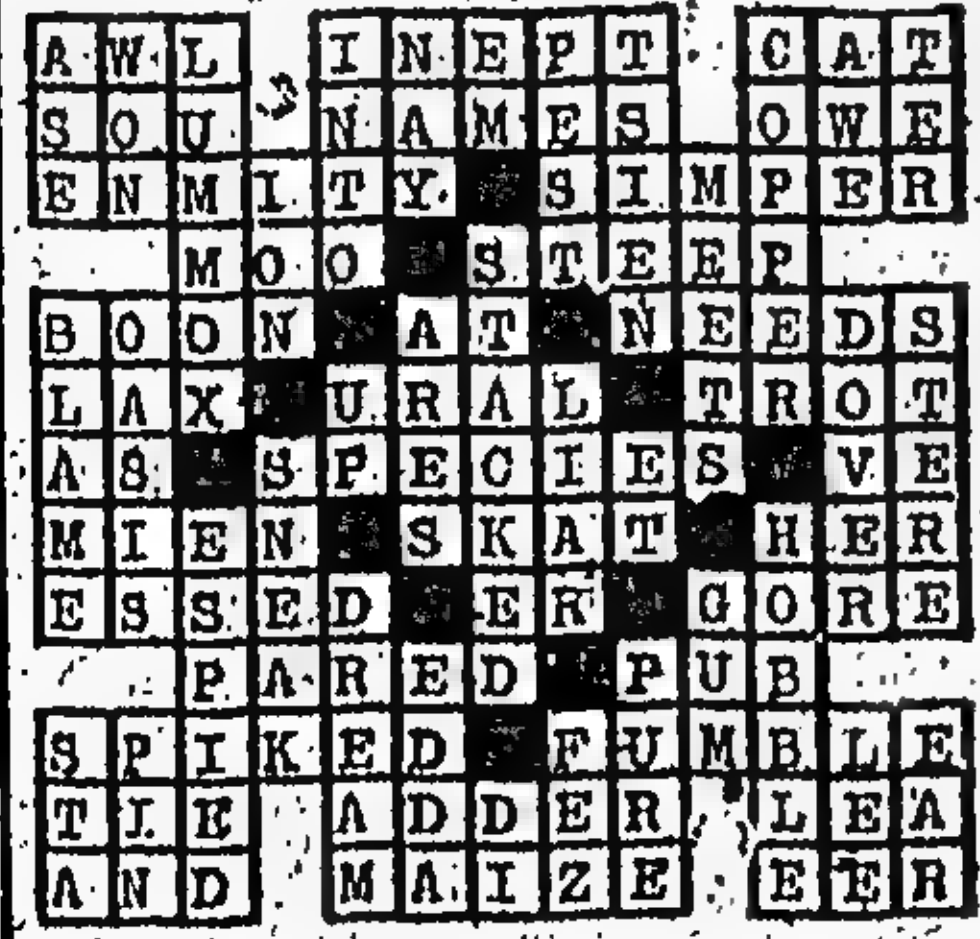
- 1 Period of time
- 4 Perfect
- 9 Bed
- 12 To cool
- 13 To wash
- 14 Literary scraps
- 15 Is of the opinion that
- 17 To occur
- 19 Snakes
- 21 Negative
- 22 To cease
- 25 Malay gibbon
- 27 To grate
- 31 Pronoun
- 32 Sleuth
- 34 Teutonic deity
- 35 Ocean
- 36 Degr
- 37 Man's nickname
- 38 Act of rising
- 41 Beverage
- 42 Terror
- 43 Addition to a building
- 44 Destiny
- 45 French conjunction
- 47 Military cap
- 49 Tenant
- 53 Bigoted

### VERTICAL

- 1 Newt
- 2 College cheer

- 3 Tropical bird
- 4 Irritates
- 5 To incur the disapproval of
- 6 Printer's measure
- 7 Timber tree
- 8 To slant
- 9 Top
- 10 Unit
- 11 Brown

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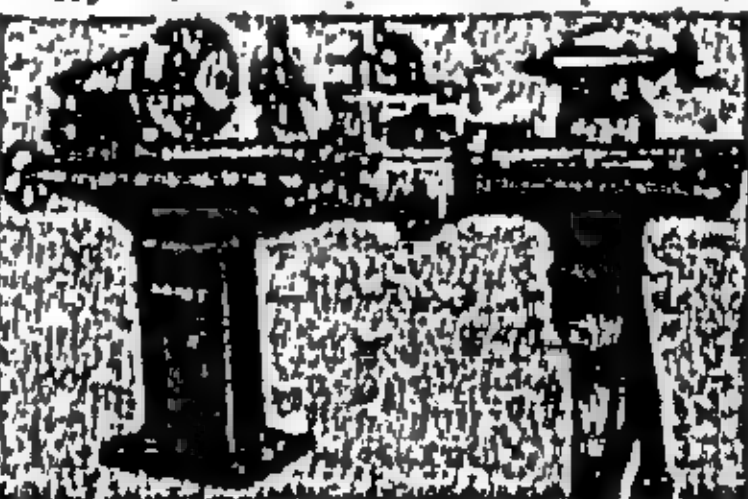


- 16 Short sleep
- 18 Turkish government
- 20 Posed
- 22 Bundle of grain
- 23 Brief
- 24 Conjunction
- 26 Fragrance
- 28 Sloth
- 29 Slender
- 30 Southern river
- 32 Lair
- 33 To commit to memory
- 35 Withers
- 39 Symbol for calcium
- 40 Archaic: same
- 41 Cooled lava
- 44 Evergreen tree
- 46 To abound
- 48 Top of the head
- 49 To fall behind
- 50 Australian bird
- 51 To state
- 52 Before
- 54 To regret
- 55 Anglo-Saxon money
- 56 Humorous article

## CULTURAL COOPERATION

The question of securing the cooperation of Dominion cultural authorities in the work of the British Council was under active consideration, the Foreign Under-Secretary stated in the Commons yesterday.—British Wireless.

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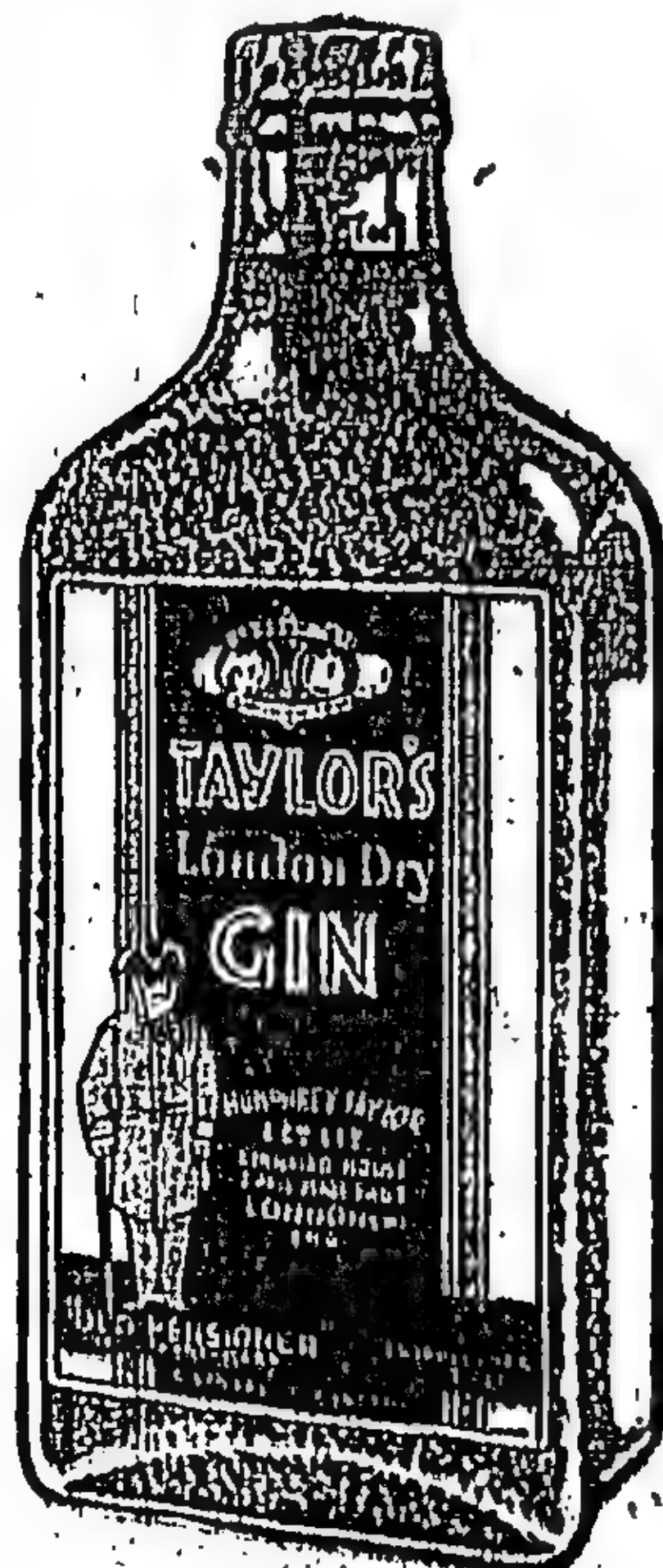


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# "V" LIGHTS SEEN BY BRITISH NIGHT RAIDERS

LIGHTS IN THE SHAPE of "V's" were seen by R.A.F. pilots while over France, Holland and Belgium on Monday night, stated the Air Ministry News Service in London yesterday.

Reports to this effect by one of the British crews on their return from France was at first received with a sceptical smile by their interrogation officer. But other crews had also seen this and other "V's" both in France and the Low Countries.

The crews said that they were not anything like the lights of an aerodrome. One "V" was made by white lights enclosed in circles of red lights and another by five yellow lights in each arm. They varied from between 12 and 50 feet in length but a "V" in Belgium seemed about 100 yards long and made continuous lines of light, "like a neon sign" as the pilot said who reported it.

Describing Monday night's raids on Germany, the Air Ministry News Service stated that a strong force of aircraft did great execution among industrial buildings in Frankfurt-on-Main and Mannheim. An important railway yard was the focus of the attack at Frankfurt which is one of the chief commercial centres of Germany and a strategic point on great trade routes between the north and the south.

## Heavy Fires

The crew of one aircraft said that they saw an explosion which destroyed a large building. Many fires in the railway yard were reported as well. Elsewhere in the town and especially in the neighbourhood of the main railway station there were large and well-established fires burning among clouds of smoke.

At Mannheim, glimpses of the river led the first few of the British crews to attack and there were a good many fires burning to guide their successors. Industrial areas both at Mannheim and in its suburb of Ludwigshafen across the Rhine were vigorously bombed. A flash from one of the most powerful British bombs lit up an aircraft flying at well over 12,000 feet. — Reuter.

## Camp Caught Napping

An Air Ministry communique states: "Last night, the R.A.F. offensive against Western Germany centred on Frankfurt and Mannheim. Industrial targets and communications in both cities were heavily bombed. Smaller forces of aircraft of the Bomber Command attacked the docks at Cherbourg and Ostend.

The Fighter Command, on night offensive patrol, attacked aerodromes in Northern France.

Early the morning, Coastal Command aircraft bombed a German military camp and other objectives on the west coast of Denmark.

From all these operations, one aircraft of the Bomber Command is missing.

A fuller description of the attack on the German military camp on the Danish coast is given by the Air Ministry News Service.

The camp, it states, was enveloped in smoke and flames after it had been bombed before breakfast by Beaufort aircraft of the Coastal Command.

## Peach Of Target

"The countryside over which we were patrolling," said a sergeant pilot, "seemed perfectly innocent but in growing light I saw what seemed to be the outline of a building. I went down low to investigate and saw I had come across a skilfully concealed camp. It was a peach of a target in the roya of the rising sun. I let go a attack of bombs and saw them burst. Debris shot up all over place. Then flames appeared and spread until there was a large fire blazing. When we were several miles on the way home I looked back and saw the fire still burning brightly."

Other aircraft successfully bombed the railway and a pier on the Danish coast. — British Wireless.

## SABOTAGE IN U.S. NAVY YARDS

Declaring that sabotage had caused a number of fires and "accidents" in naval establishments during the last 12 months, Senator Walsh, chairman of the Naval Committee told the House of Senate, whose galleries were crowded, that he was quoting confidential naval reports.

He asserted that San Francisco was the headquarters of the Nazis in the United States and that the naval authorities estimate there were 400 Nazis in the West Coast.

Advocating measures to establish a civilian protective guard for naval depots, Senator Walsh said it would be disastrous if one of America's battleships were blown up through sabotage.

By 41 votes to 14, the U.S. Senate later passed the measure for civilian guards at U.S. naval establishments. — Reuter.

## CHINESE ON MURDER CHARGE

"I struck him with an axe. I don't know whether he is alive or dead. The earthen pillow on which he was resting his head is in pieces. He has been very unfair to me."

These words were alleged to have been uttered by Chan Muk after he, it was further alleged, savagely attacked a fellow-worker with an axe on April 25 in the Tang Yee Hing Boat Building Yard, Shaokwan.

This morning at the Criminal Sessions before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chan, represented by Mr. T. F. Lo, barrister-at-law, pleaded not guilty to the murder of Kong Wong.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, stated that the only evidence of enmity between accused and the deceased was an incident in which deceased, instead of equally dividing \$120 between himself, accused, and another man, kept 60 cents for himself and gave accused and the other man 30 cents each. The \$120 was given as a cash reward to be divided between the three men.

It was alleged that accused mentioned the incident several times before the attack. On each occasion he accused deceased of not treating him fairly.

On the night of April 25, accused, it was alleged, took an axe from the tool box and struck deceased, who was sleeping, several blows on the head. Accused then visited an opium divan and made the above state-

## JAPANESE IMPOSE CENSORSHIP

In Washington yesterday President Roosevelt announced that the Japanese had imposed censorship of radio and cable communication, says Reuter.

## HEAVY RAID ON NAPLES

Large fires and explosions were caused in Naples harbour during an attack by the R.A.F. on Sunday night.

Yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communique announcing this fact states that heavy bombers attacked Naples harbour and railway sidings in the vicinity on the night of July 20/21.

The first bombs dropped on the target caused large fires and these were subsequently enlarged by bombs from later aircraft.

The fires were accompanied by explosions.

During the same night heavy bombers again attacked the docks and installations at Benghazi, causing fires and explosions on moles.

All our aircraft returned safely. — Reuter.

## HEAVY NEW STRAIN ON NAZIS

The recent heavy destruction by the German coastwise shipping is the subject of discussion from a new angle by naval circles in London.

Increasing shortage of cargo space, it is pointed out, may well have the effect of forcing the Germans to embark on a large merchant shipbuilding programme.

To such a programme, many industries must contribute. Skilled workers of many types are needed, much steel, engine and boiler construction and electrical machinery.

In a country organised as Germany entirely for the war effort, a further diversion of labour and material to shipbuilding would undoubtedly lessen the output of other war material—including possibly U-boats.

Thus the strategic value of the co-ordinated British pressure is well shown.

Steady hammering by the R.A.F. on vital land transport routes and junctions, has forced the Germans to employ coastwise traffic to an ever increasing extent.

Regarding the Battle of the Atlantic, while there is at the moment nothing of importance to report, one naval observer expressed the situation as follows: "Progress is not unsatisfactory and taking all the factors into consideration, it is not wishful thinking to regard the future with sober confidence, provided every body in the country does the utmost in his or her power. But of course we must always be prepared for ups and downs." — British Wireless.

## RAID ON THE SUEZ CANAL

An air raid was carried out on the Suez Canal area early yesterday morning, the Egyptian Ministry of Interior announces. A few bombs were dropped, causing no casualties and only slight damage. The alarm was also sounded in other parts of the Nile Delta. — Reuter.

The police later found accused hiding in a pigsty. The case is continuing.



# CHINA MAIL

WINDSOR HOUSE

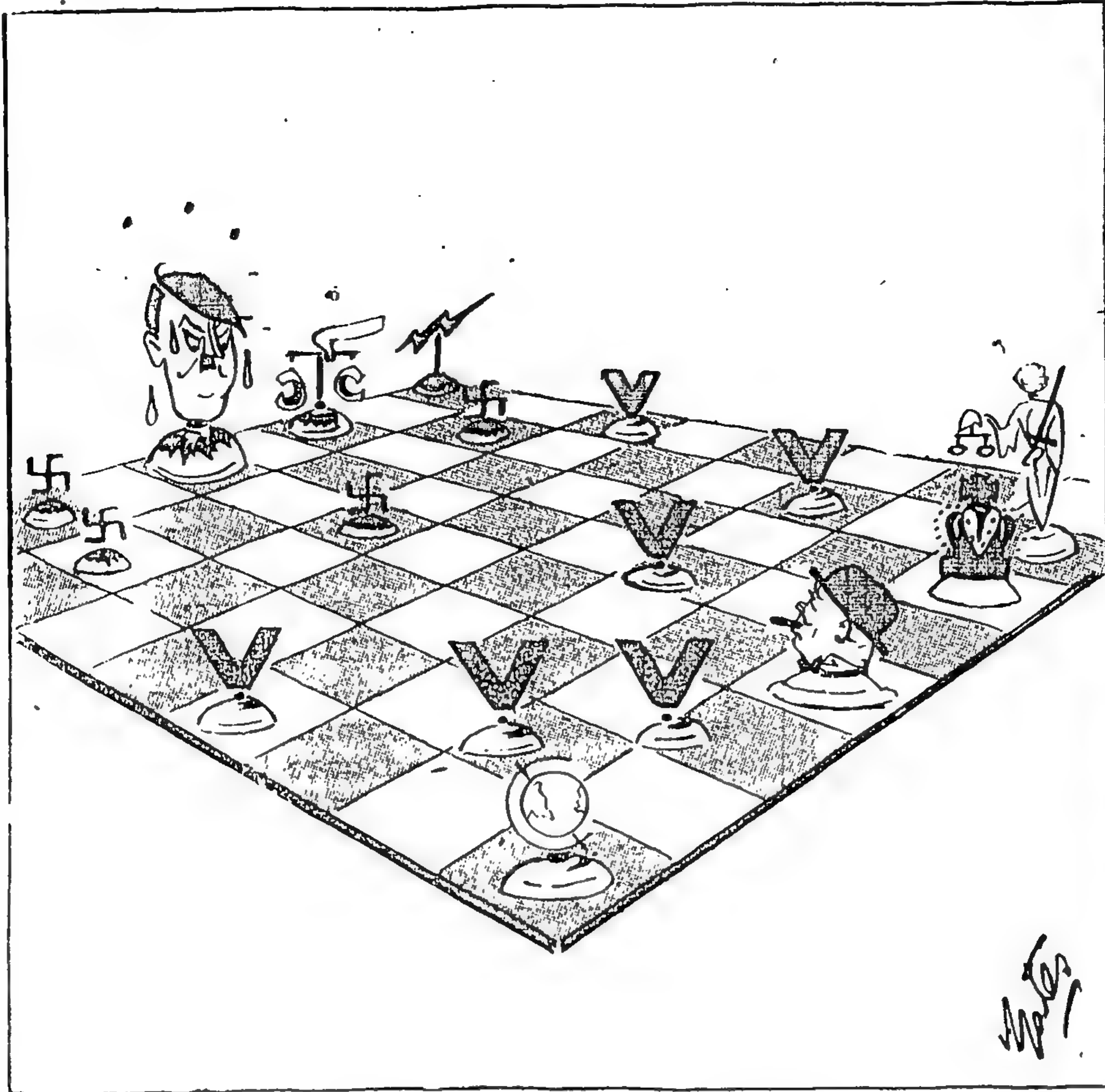
## JAPAN'S PROBLEM

Events in Russia plainly raise difficult problems in strategy and diplomacy for Japan. As never before since this war began, Hitler's power and prestige is at issue, and already there is a strong and growing body of opinion which, if it is not prepared to agree that Hitler lost the war the day he ordered the blitzkrieg against Moscow, feels that failure to break through in ten or fourteen days spell the doom of the whole enterprise, no matter what victories he may now snatch. It follows then that continued active partnership with an ally whose future power is deeply jeopardised must be a matter for anxious study by the new Cabinet, though nothing in Ministerial statements since announcement of the new personnel has justified the conclusion that any substantial withdrawal from earlier policy is at present contemplated. On the contrary, it has been the purpose of the Konoye Cabinet to give the impression that nothing has changed but the driving force, and that the tempo of action is to be speeded up.

For the moment, no safe prediction can be made as to what that might mean interpreted into terms of Far East strategy. For many months Japan has been poised to strike in the southward direction, attracted by the promise of rich spoil in the raw materials which could be obtained in the Dutch East Indies and Malaya, restrained by consideration of the risks of a war with Great Britain, possibly also the United States.

Japan's imperialists, both in and out of uniform, paint an alluring picture of a Japanese Empire, enlarged, rounded out and made impregnable by the acquisition of the Dutch East Indies, with their riches in rubber, tin, many tropical products and that commodity which is more precious than gold in a world of force: oil. Malaya also contains tin mines and rubber plantations, along with iron. And the Philippines, which could scarcely remain outside the Japanese orbit if Malaya and the East Indies should fall, contain large reserves of iron and manganese, together with their sugar and coconut plantations.

Japanese moderates, and a few of these moderates are in the Army and Navy, stress the danger,



A NEW PIECE ON THE BOARD

## The First Americans & Their Policy

ALTHOUGH there are some who think it far-fetched and meddling for the United States government to take an interest in the fate of the French, Spanish and Portuguese empires, they would not think so if they had studied American history. For the line of policy announced by the President on May 28, and now being followed by Secretary Hull in his negotiations, was in fact inaugurated under President John Adams and while Washington was still alive. In 1798 during the wars of revolutionary imperialism the question arose which has now, with Hitler's Germany in place of Napoleonic France, arisen again: It was learned that conquering France was about to gain control of the weakly held Spanish empire which then included the Louisiana territory, Florida, Central and South America.

The news was communicated on February 15, 1798, by Lord Grenville to Rufus King, the United States Minister in London, saying as King reported, it, that "if Spain should be able to preserve her independence and prevent a revolution in her government," Great Britain would let the Spanish empire alone; "but if it was really to be apprehended Spain should fall beneath the control of France," then the British government "would endeavour to prevent France from gaining to their cause the resources of South America" and would "immediately open their views and commence a negotiation upon the subject with the United States."

There was some doubt then, as there is now about Vichy, as to

even from a military standpoint, of cutting off all sources of supply except those in regions which are under Japanese military control. They point out that an attack on Singapore, or on any of the British, Dutch and American strongholds in the South Pacific bristles with difficulties.

And they are the type of difficulty that will not be modified in Japan's favour if, as seems more and more likely, Hitler becomes as effectively bogged down in Russia as Japan is in China.

whether Spain had really surrendered and was collaborating with the revolutionary conqueror. But by September of the same year the British were telling Rufus King that there "could be no doubt that France had obtained a cession" of the Louisiana territory and King was saying in London that we should "be unwilling that Louisiana should pass into the hands of new proprietors."

Shortly after this, by a secret treaty signed October 1, 1800, Spain did cede Louisiana to Napoleon, though for more than a year this was stoutly denied by the Spanish and the French. The United States continued to negotiate with Great Britain and the position taken about the Spanish possessions was identical

By Walter Lippmann

with that which Americans have now taken in regard to the French, Spanish and Portuguese possessions in the Western Hemisphere or confronting it, and in regard to the control of the seas.

The policy was formulated by President Jefferson in his instruction of April 18, 1802, to Livingston, the United States Minister in Paris: "The cession of Louisiana and the Floridas by Spain to France works most sorely on the United States." New Orleans, he pointed out, is one of the gateways to our territory. "France, placing herself in that door, assumes to us the attitude of defiance. Spain might have retained it quietly for years. . . . These circumstances render it impossible that France and the United States can continue long friends when they meet in so irritable a position. . . . The day that France takes possession of New Orleans fixes the sentence which is to retain her forever within her low-water mark. It seals the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean. From that moment we must marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation. . . . This is not a state of things we seek or desire. It is one which this measure, if adopted by France, forces on us as necessarily as any other cause, by the laws of nature, brings on its necessary effects."

Thus it is a fact, which no student of American history can

successfully dispute, that the foreign policy of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, and Monroe was not one bit more isolationist or non-interventionist than the policy of Roosevelt, Willkie and Hull. The two policies are the same policy—the historic American policy since the foundation of the Republic. It is that the territories affecting our vital interests must not pass from the control of friendly and pacific nations into the control of aggressive and expanding empires, and that to prevent this happening we are prepared "to marry ourselves to the British fleet and nation" because this means "the union of two nations who, in conjunction, can maintain exclusive possession of the ocean."

There has been no change whatever in the principles of American foreign policy. If in 1802 we could not allow revolutionary France to control the mouth of the Mississippi, if in 1823 we could not allow Russia to control the western coast of Canada or the European quadruple alliance to reconquer Central and South America, then how can it be argued by Col. Lindbergh that in 1941 we are more aggressive than Hitler because we say that Hitler shall not control the islands of the Atlantic and the west coast of Africa? The distance in time from Washington to New Orleans in 1801, or from Chicago to South America in 1823, was very much greater than the distance to-day from the Azores or the Cape Verde Islands or Casablanca or Dakar to any part of the American continent. I have myself talked recently with a Canadian newspaper man who had dinner in Montreal and breakfast in England; having crossed the Atlantic in a bomber. Yet we are asked to believe that Jefferson, who was aroused about French control of New Orleans, and Monroe and Jefferson, who were aroused about the control of far-off South America, would to-day be unconcerned at the prospect of having Hitler established half way across the Atlantic.

The truth is that those who appeal to the fathers of the Republic in support of the Lindbergh propaganda are misrepresenting totally the principles and the actions of the fathers of the Republic. The first American statesmen were not pacifists. They were not isolationists. They were not neutrals. They had not been afraid to fight against England but neither were they in the slightest afraid to say that they would, if American interests were threatened, fight along with England.

Thus it may be said, quite literally and seriously, that though the present foreign policy of the United States government is not in accord with the views of the America First Committee, it is strictly in accord with the principles and the practice of the first American.

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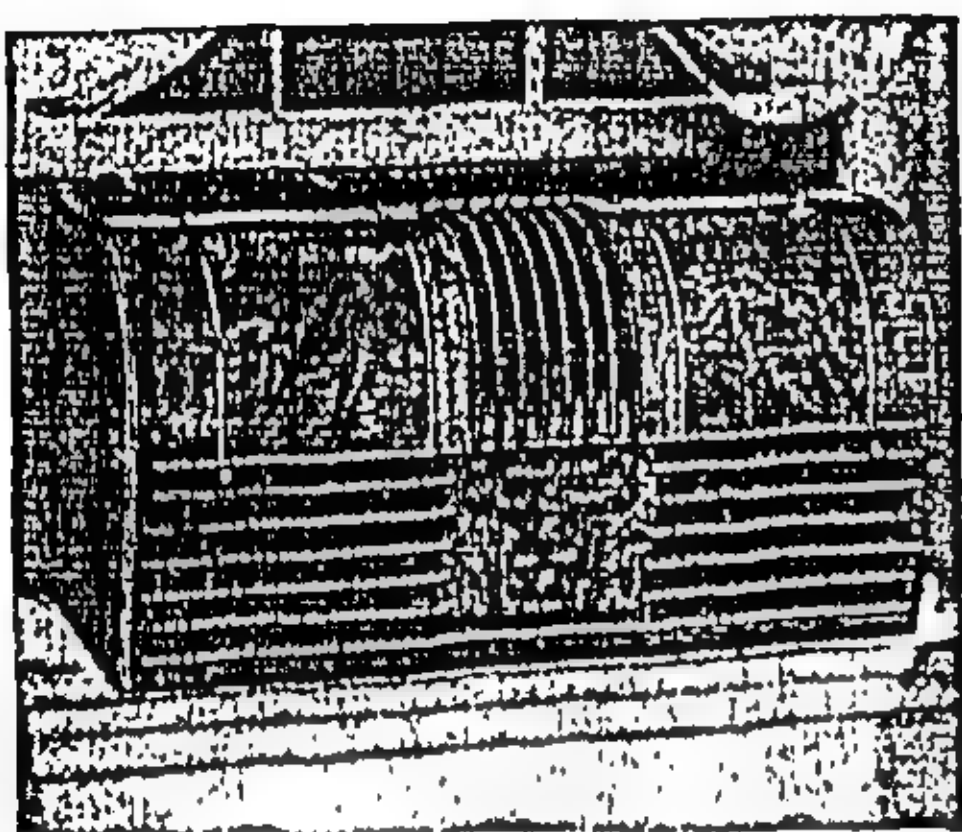
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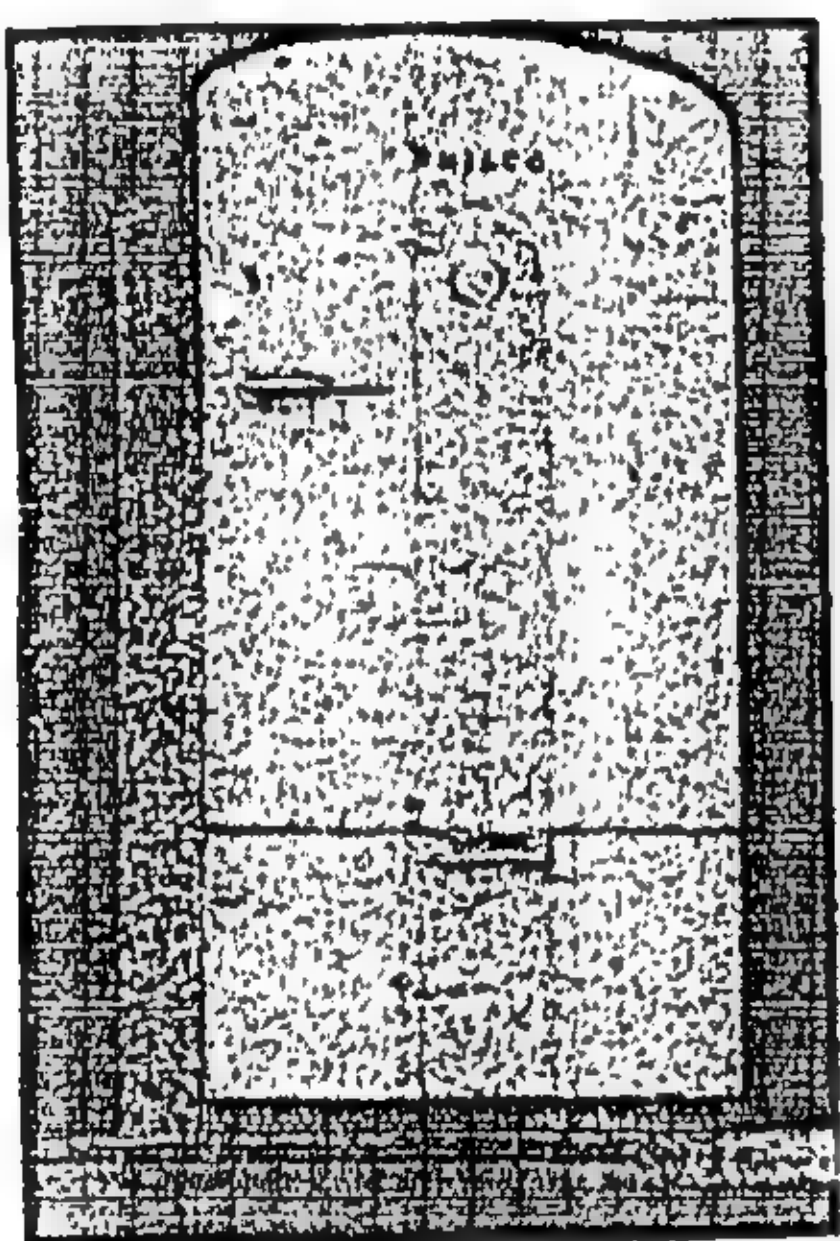
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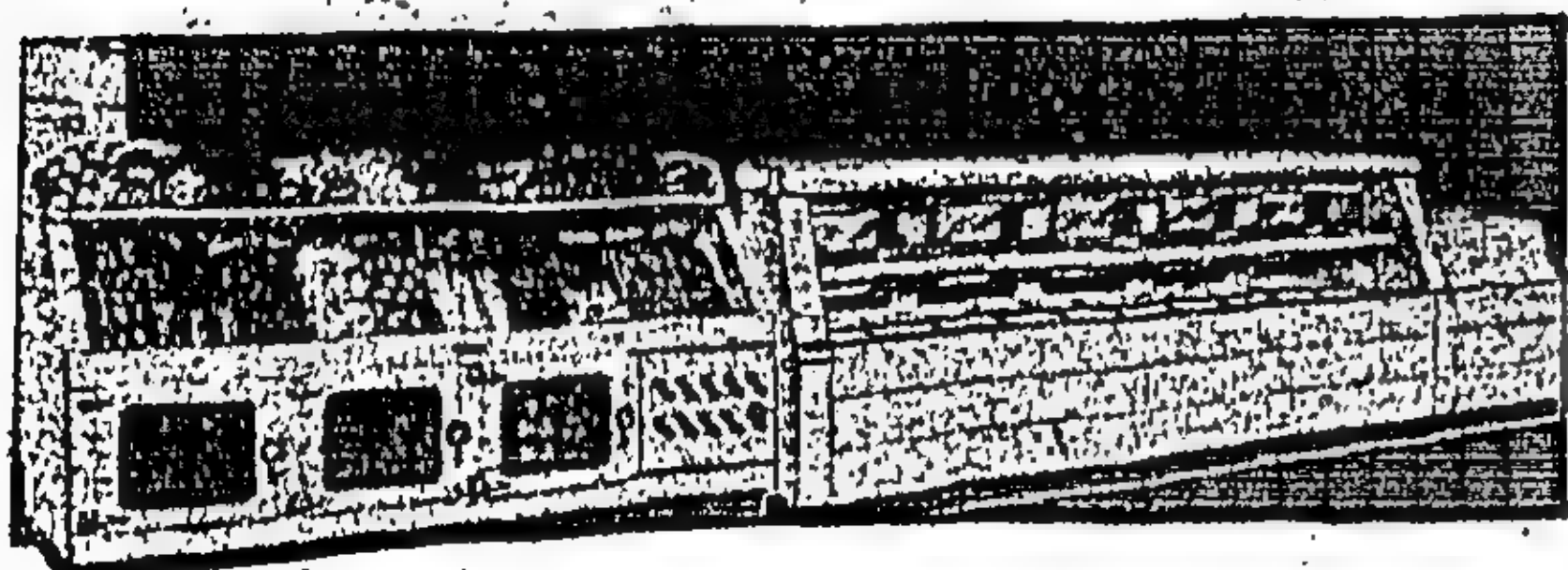
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# EXPERT ANALYSIS OF SITUATION ON SOVIET BATTLEFIELD

THE GREAT BATTLE BETWEEN THE GERMANS AND THE RUSSIANS IN WHICH THE OPPOSING ARMIES ARE WRESTLING IN FIGHTING ZONES OF GREAT DEPTH, CONTINUES WITH UNABATED VIOLENCE.

It is considered by military circles in London that certain developments are now clear. Firstly, the German advance from Pskov towards Leningrad seems to be held up by the Russians.

Secondly, the Russians seem to be putting up fierce resistance to the Germans endeavouring to advance on both flanks of Smolensk. It is still uncertain whether the Germans have occupied the city but it is possible that German detachments are fighting beyond it to the east, although the main supporting forces are still doing their best to break through on the flanks.

Thirdly, the Germans seem to be making an advance in the Kiev direction by a thrust developing down the right bank of the Dnieper which will be watched carefully as success might endanger the Arabian sector.

The German newspaper "Frankfurter Zeitung," which has maintained an optimistic attitude throughout the Nazi regime, says: "In some sectors of the front, our victories were too hasty."

"Fortresses we believed already conquered, suddenly resumed resistance by virtue of underground fortifications not noticed by our soldiers. Again and again, fresh battles must be fought in territory already considered dominated by our army."

"This stubborn resistance is only explained by Bolshevik fanaticism or fear of political commissars. An enormous number of Russian tanks have been destroyed and our tanks are still engaged in hard battles."

The article concludes: "A great part of the Red Army has been annihilated but it still remains impossible to judge how long it will take before it is beaten. Only one thing is certain and that is"

Germany will fight this war against Russia to the end.

"We confess the hardships in these battles exceed anything in history and we assume the increased bitter resistance and the power of the Red Army is caused by the knowledge of its leaders that the last reserves are in the fight." -- British Wireless.

### BLACK-OUT FINES

Four Chinese were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, with a breach of the Black-out Regulations, by failing to screen their torches.

Three were fined \$3 each, and Chan Pun, tailor, was fined \$5.

### PROMOTION FROM RANKS IN THE ARMY

Replying to a Commons question, the War Secretary said he was satisfied that the system of promotion to commissioned rank in the Army was based entirely on merit and was free from any suggestion of favouritism or the use of influence. -- British Wireless.

### HEALTH OF THE POPE

REPORTS THAT THE POPE IS UNWELL APPEAR TO BE CONTRADICTED BY A STATEMENT BY THE OFFICIAL ITALIAN NEWS AGENCY YESTERDAY DESCRIBING A VISIT TO THE VATICAN BY THE BULGARIAN PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, M. POPOFF, WHO IS NOW IN ROME.

M. Popoff was received with some ceremonial and escorted by the Swiss guard to the library where he had "a long and cordial talk" with the Pope.

He later paid a visit to Cardinal Maglione, Secretary of State. -- Reuter.

## DUTCH QUISLING'S CONFESSION

"LAST WEDNESDAY the people of Rotterdam cheered and cried for joy when the Royal Air Force was overhead. This is an example of the bad spirit which is still prevalent in the Netherlands."

This startling announcement was made by the announcer of the German-controlled Dutch wireless, according to well-informed Dutch circles in London.

The announcer referred to last Wednesday's successful raid on the Rotterdam docks, and pictures taken by the R.A.F. show the peoples in the streets cheering.

"The R.A.F. is here!" This seems to be the latest battle-cry of the Dutch, he admitted.

"They are the people who suffer from 'English disease.' They cheer publicly every British pilot who has been captured by the Germans. We are happy that measures will be taken to prevent this."

The announcer clearly referred to the last decree of Air General Christensen who threatened the Dutch with heavy penalties if this practice does not stop.

### Threats Made

Another notorious broadcaster fulminated against those Netherlands who "represent the majority of the people who resist Nazification." This Dutch "Haw-Haw," knowing his sickening propaganda has no effect, tries to frighten the Dutch people into submission by saying "we know that in leading circles of the new order patience is nearly exhausted and that ruthless action is"

looked upon as the only solution. This action will be taken." -- Reuter.

### FACTORY MANAGER FINED

Summoned before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning for allowing women workers to be employed during prohibited hours, the manager of the Lee Yuen Knitting Factory, No. 7A, Yen Chow Street, and the Lee Kwok Knitting Factory, No. 83, Prince Edward Road, were each fined \$100.

### NAZI CLAIM

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] The High Command in Berlin claimed last night that German planes had bombed Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Falmouth and Land's End. -- International News Service.

### BILL APPROVED

The Senate unanimously and without debate passed and sent to White House the Bill authorising the \$455,000,000 expansion in naval shipping, repair and ordnance facilities. -- Reuter.

## AMERICAN OFFER TO SOVIET

The United States has offered to buy any strategic materials Russia might want to sell to help pay for purchases of war supplies in America, declared Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, at his press conference in Washington yesterday.

THE OFFER WAS MADE TO THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR, M. OUMANSKY, A WEEK AGO BUT MR. JONES DID NOT KNOW WHEN THE DEAL WAS LIKELY TO BE PUT THROUGH.

Mr. Jones explained the only difficulty was to get materials, particularly manganese and chromium, from western Russia to Vladivostok and then finding ships to transport them to the U.S.

He said purchases would not necessarily be balanced by the equivalent amount of war materials bought in the U.S.

"The Russians have a good supply of cash -- gold. They have not asked for a loan." -- Reuter.



# RED ARMY HOLDS SMOLENSK

## Stubborn Battles In Progress Nazi And Soviet Reports Flatly Contradictory

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

FLATLY CONTRADICTORY PICTURES OF EVENTS ALONG RUSSIA'S EXTENSIVE BATTLEFRONT CONTINUE TO BE PRESENTED BY GERMAN AND SOVIET VERSIONS OF EVENTS, BUT IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT SMOLENSK IS STILL IN SOVIET HANDS, THOUGH PANZER UNITS MAY HAVE WORKED ROUND ITS FLANKS.

Yesterday was quieter on the northern sector, where the Russians are firmly holding the German thrust along the shore of Lake Peipus, but there was heavy fighting on the northern wing of the central front, round Polotsk and Nevel and towards Smolensk.

A stubborn battle is still in progress in the direction of Novograd-Volinsk, where the danger seems, at the moment, less to Kiev than from a German attempt to work down the Dnieper, imperilling the Russian positions in Bessarabia.

Berlin makes no specific claims to achievements, beyond the capture of Lieutenant Jakob Juguschew, son of Stalin. DNB, in its usual vein, claims the "destruction of six Red divisions" says that the main defence is plunged into a "severe crisis," and adds that the "second battle of annihilation is approaching its zenith."

"Izvestia," in Moscow, carries details of an action behind the Russian main lines in which an advanced German tank column was exterminated after a four-hour battle in which the Germans lost 39 tanks.

An earlier official bulletin announced that Soviet troops and planes had halted the German offensives in the three main fighting zones, adding that stubborn fighting continued in the central and Ukraine sectors. — International News Service.

### German Communique

Yesterday's German High Command communique states that "breaching operations of the German army, in conjunction with their allies, have divided the Soviet defence front into unco-ordinated groups."

"Despite tough local resistance and obstinate counter-attacks, no co-ordinated leadership of the enemy is now recognisable."

"On the whole eastern front the defeat and annihilation of isolated groups of Soviet forces is continuing ceaselessly."

### Moscow Raid

"As reprisal for Bolshevik air raids on the open capitals of Bucharest and Helsinki, the Luftwaffe on Monday night made their first attack on Moscow."

"In a series of waves 12 bomber formations bombed military installations and munitions industries, visibility being good."

"In the vicinity of the Kremlin and the Moskva River direct hits caused a number of fires, some large."

"Buildings of the High Command and administrative authorities and a public utility plant were destroyed or severely damaged."

### Soviet Communique

The following communique was issued by the Soviet Information Bureau last night:

"On July 22 our forces were engaged in heavy fighting on Petra, Zavodsk, Porokhov, Smolensk and Zhitomir directions. There were no essential changes in the position of our troops on the front. On July 22, our aircraft brought down 87 enemy planes. We lost 14 planes."

"According to supplementary information 22 German bombers were brought down in an attempt to make a mass raid"

on Moscow on the night of July 21.

### Nazi Losses

These losses must be considered very great under the conditions of a night raid. Scattered and demoralised by our night fighters and anti-aircraft guns, German planes dropped most of their bombs in woods and fields outside Moscow.

"Not a single military target was touched nor was any damage done to municipal enterprises."

"Mention should be made of the splendid service rendered by the Fire Brigade, Militia and also by the Moscow population, who quickly extinguished incendiary bombs dropped on the city by individual planes which broke through, and also quickly got fires under control."

### Pitkaranta Claim

A Finnish communique claims that Finnish troops have occupied and passed Pitkaranta in their advance north-east of Lake Ladoga, according to a Helsinki telegram to the official Italian news agency.—Reuter.

## THE NAZI PROPHET IN TOKYO

The prediction that "within one month," the swastika will be flying over Moscow, was made by Lieut.-Colonel Wilhelm Nimiz, the German military attache in Tokyo, in a statement to the Japanese Press on the first month's fighting against Russia.

The fall of Leningrad, he said, according to the Domei Agency, was "a matter of time."

Fighting would reach its peak in about a fortnight's time, he predicted, and he referred to the bombing of Moscow as proof that "Germany has already won air supremacy."

As for the United States, Colonel Nimiz asserted: "The Germans have naturally made"

## NO BLACK-OUT EXERCISE TO-NIGHT

Wing-Comdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, informs us that there will be no black-out exercises to-night "as no further useful purpose will be served and also to relieve the public of any inconvenience caused by the exercises in this very hot weather."

## GERMANS BOGGING DOWN

Turkish military experts consider it unlikely that Germany will want to create a new front before having materially reduced Russian resistance, according to the Ankara correspondent of the Independent French Agency.

There is growing scepticism in Ankara as to Germany's chances against Russia, even those Turks who had predicted the rapid collapse of the Russian front now being reserved in their opinions.

The statement by the German military attache in Ankara, that the Russian campaign would be over in six weeks, which was at first given certain credence, is now the subject of ironical comment.

Although it is believed in Ankara the Germans would appear too deeply engaged in Russia for any action in the Near East to be feared, the correspondent says experts admit the situation might become critical again if the Germans were to reach the Caucasus before the end of August.

Military observers point out the German attack is being directed rather towards the Urals, as if the German High Command wanted first of all to eliminate the main Russian forces before facing the long lines of communication that an advance on the Caucasus would entail.—Reuter.

allowances for the possibility of United States participation in the war.

The landing of American forces in Iceland, he said: "In fact constitutes participation."—Reuter.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## A Misunderstanding By The Four Aces

"Please rule on this dispute," requests a St. Louis reader. "We couldn't agree on the bidding of this hand:

South, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

**NORTH**  
♠ 6 5 2  
♥ 5  
♦ Q 9 8 4 3  
♣ Q J 10 6

**WEST**  
♠ K Q J 7  
♥ A Q 10 7  
♦ 7  
♣ K 9 8 2

**EAST**  
♠ 10 9 4 3  
♥ 9 8 4 3 2  
♦ 5 2  
♣ 7 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ A 8  
♥ K J 6  
♦ A K J 10 6  
♣ A 6 4

The bidding:

South West North East  
1♠ Dbl. 4♥ Pass  
6♦ Pass Pass Pass

"As you see, nothing terrible happened even though we got to a Slam which we failed to make. We were set two tricks at six diamonds, but we belonged in either five diamonds or three no-trump neither of which could have been made. So we're not kicking about the result; it's just that we had no business to be up so high.

"South contends that North had no right to jump to four diamonds with only two Queens in his hand; and that if North had value for this bid, the Slam would have been makeable. North maintains that his jump bid was justified and that only slight values are needed to shut the opponents out. "What's the verdict?"

We agree with North but give our sympathy to South. If North had a good hand he would either redouble or pass (with the intention of entering the bidding later on). North's jump bid was therefore clearly based on a hand weak in high cards but strong in distributional support for diamonds. South should have realised that a Slam was out of the question.

We give our sympathy to South, however, since he was unable to make even a game contract with his very strong hand opposite a partner who announced strong distributional support. He would have been justified, although unsuccessful, in bidding five diamonds, but not six diamonds.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 4  
♥ K J 4 3  
♦ 9 2  
♣ Q 7 3 2

The bidding:

Schenken Moler You Jacoby  
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass  
3♥ Pass (?) Pass

**ANSWER:** Bid four hearts. Your partner's bidding shows a strong hand with excellent game prospects if you have anything but a very weak hand. Your strong support for both of partner's suits should give him a good play for a game.

Score 100% for four hearts, 30% for pass.

**Question No. 775**

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 4  
♥ Q 7 5 3  
♦ K 8 3  
♣ Q 7 6 2

The bidding:

Jacoby Schenken You Moler  
1♠ Pass (?) Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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The mentally sketchy girlfriend recommended a dose of bicarbonate of soda when her beau said he was burning up with indignation.

## SALE OF OIL TO JAPAN

The sale of oil to Japan was the subject of a question in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Gallagher.

He asked whether the oil agreement made in 1940, whereby the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company was to sell one million barrels of oil to Japan is still in operation and what were the figures for oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East in 1941.

Mr. R. K. Law, new Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he had been informed by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company that the contract referred to was not now in operation.

He further understood that no oil exports to Japan from British-owned fields in the Middle East had taken place in 1941. — Reuter.

## LONDON MESSAGE TO MOSCOW

Mr. C. G. Ammon, Chairman of the London County Council, has sent the following telegram to the Chairman of the Moscow Soviet:—

"On behalf of the people of London I send sympathetic greetings to the people of Moscow in the wanton damage to their city. "We share with you the hazards and dangers of these inhuman attacks. In the pride of resistance we salute you. We will stand together until the end. Victory is assured."—Reuter.

## PRINCE CONSORT IN TONGA PASSES

The King and Queen have sent a message of condolence to the Queen of Tonga on the death of the Prince Consort and Premier of Tonga, who died suddenly on Sunday.

In a personal message, the Colonial Secretary expresses deep regret and sincere sympathy with the Queen in the loss of a distinguished husband, who had worked so devotedly for the welfare of his country.—British Wireless.

## AUDIENCE OF KING

Mr. Harry Hopkins, U.S. special representative, who is in London in connection with the Lend-Lease Act, was received in audience by the King yesterday. Mr. Churchill also had an audience of His Majesty.—British Wireless.

# Food Scarcity In Greece

Reports of chaotic conditions in Greece and acute scarcity of food among the civilian population are causing concern in Britain about the state of British prisoners of war both in Greece and Crete.

The Red Cross and St. John War Organisation have, as an immediate measure, telegraphed £10,000 to the British Ambassador in Ankara and £5,000 to Dr. Brunel, representative of the International Red Cross in Greece, for the purchase of any food supplies available in Turkey and Greece to supplement prisoners' rations.

The Prisoners of War Department of the Red Cross recently stated that, as far as they could judge, about 8,000 men were taken in Greece and these have now been mostly evacuated to Germany.

Prisoners in Crete, totalling approximately 13,000, are probably in the course of evacuation.

The British Red Cross have established a reserve of about 500,000 parcels of food as well as considerable stores of clothing at Geneva in charge of the International Red Cross but these cannot be dispatched to Greece as the heavy German military traffic going east through the Balkans occupies all available freight space.—British Wireless.

## D.N.B. ON MOSCOW RAID

First German mention of a Nazi air raid on Moscow was made early yesterday afternoon, the official news agency reporting that bomber and dive-bomber formations caused great destruction.

"In a series of raids lasting from early night till dawn, German squadrons dropped high explosives of all calibres and thousands of incendiary bombs on targets of military importance in Moscow, extensive fires being observed south of the River Moskva."

According to a report 12 explosions were observed near the Kremlin, the Germans likening the raid to the "heaviest dealt on targets of military importance in Britain."—Reuter.

Neutrals in Moscow stated that little damage was to be seen. The Moscow High Command claimed that few raiders got through the defences.

## CHIANG THANKS MALAYA

THE FIRM BELIEF THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CHINA WILL BECOME CLOSER THAN EVER BEFORE WAS EXPRESSED BY GENERAL ALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK IN A CABLE TO THE GOVERNOR, SIR SHEN TON THOMAS, THANKING HIM FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN TO THE CHINESE MILITARY MISSION.

The mission recently made a tour of the British defence system in Malaya.

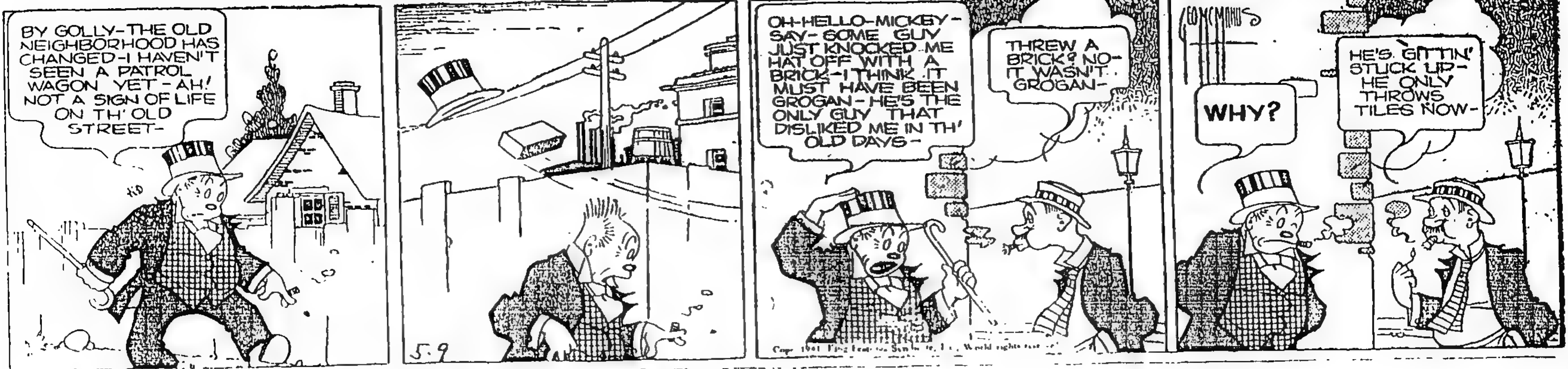
Chiang Kai-shek's message reads in part: General Shang Chen, the leader of the mission, and his assistants benefited immensely from the visit.

All the arrangements made for them were greatly appreciated. I firmly believe that relations between our two great nations will be closer than ever before."—Reuter.



## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



# AMERICAN VIEWS OF THE NEW WORLD AFTER THE WAR

MR. SUMNER WELLES, IN A SPEECH YESTERDAY WHICH CONSTITUTED THE MOST SPECIFIC PRONOUNCEMENT MADE YET BY A HIGH ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL ON THE POST-WAR AIMS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, SAID A POST-WAR ASSOCIATION OF NATIONS STRONG ENOUGH TO GUARANTEE DISARMAMENT AND EQUAL ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES WAS THE IDEAL FOR WHICH "PEOPLES OF GOODWILL SHOULD STRIVE AS THE FOUNDATION OF PERMANENT PEACE."

Mr. Welles, who delivered the address when laying the corner-stone of the new wing of the Norwegian Legation, declared that free governments and peace-loving peoples should now be preparing for the "better day" that would come "with the crushing defeat of those who were sacrificing mankind to their own lust for power and loot."

The League of Nations, as the late President Wilson conceived it, "failed in part because of the blind selfishness of men in the United States as well as in other parts of the world."

Mr. Welles said (the United States Senate blocked American entry to the League in 1920) the League failed also "because of its utilisation by certain powers primarily to advance their own political and commercial ambitions."

## The Status Quo

"But," declared Mr. Welles with emphasis, "the League failed chiefly because of the fact that it was forced to operate by those who dominated its councils, as a means of maintaining the status quo."

It was never enabled to operate as its chief spokesman had intended — as a clear, impartial instrument in bringing about a peaceful and equitable adjustment between nations as time and circumstances proved necessary.

"Some instrumentality must unquestionably be found to achieve such adjustments when nations of the earth again undertake the task of restoring law and order to a disastrously shaken world."

## Arms Cuts

Whatever the mechanism, Mr. Welles went on, he was "unalterably convinced" of two things: "First the abolition of offensive armaments and limitation and reduction of defensive armaments and of tools which make the construction of such armaments possible; can only be undertaken by some rigid form of international supervision and control, and without such practical essential control no real disarmament can ever be reached."

Second, no peace which may be made in the future would be valid or lasting unless it established fully and adequately the natural rights of all peoples to equal economic enjoyment. "As long as any one people, or any one government possesses a monopoly over the natural resources and raw materials which were needed by all peoples, there

can be no basis for world order based on justice and peace."

## World Security

"World security," Mr. Welles said, "represents the end upon which the hearts of men and women everywhere to-day are set. Whether it be security from bombing from the air or from mass destruction; or whether it be security from want, disease or starvation; whether it be security in enjoying that inalienable right which every human being should possess of living out his life in peace and happiness, peoples throughout the length and breadth of the world are demanding security and freedom from fear."

"THAT IS THE OBJECTIVE OF US ALL TO-DAY — TO TRY TO FIND MEANS OF BRINGING THAT TO PASS."

Mr. Welles concluded by saying

# TWO YOUNG MEN ACQUITTED

"SHE IS MY LOVER. Since the first moon of this year she has obtained \$81 from me," declared an accused in the witness-box at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he, with another man, was charged with assaulting a girl-escort, Lo Ming, with intent to rob her.

The incident was alleged to have occurred in Room No. 505 of the Empress Hotel, Connaught Road Central at about 4 a.m. on May 27. Accused, Ho Ki, 24, and Yiu Man, 27, were alleged to have attempted to tie the girl up and to take away her jewellery.

Attendants employed in the Hotel testified before Mr. Justice F. E. F. Cressall, Puisne Judge, to having heard the girl shout for help and to having arrested accused whilst they were attempting to run out of the Hotel.

In the witness box this morning, first accused caused a sensation by claiming the girl was his lover.

He declared that he called the girl to the Hotel to obtain a loan of between \$20 and \$30 for the

## BLACK-OUT TRICK

PLEADING GUILTY TO DEMANDING \$2 WITH MENACES DURING THE BLACK-OUT, LI FAT, 22, AND YIP HUNG, 20, WERE SENTENCED TO THREE AND FOUR MONTHS' HARD LABOUR RESPECTIVELY BY MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING.

According to Det.-Sgt. McVoy, accused went to a woman's house during the black-out, alleging that she had committed "black-out" offences. They threatened to summon her unless they were paid \$2.

The woman requested them to come again as she had had no money at the time. She asked a friend to pawn some clothing to raise the money. The woman's friend reported the matter to the police, who arrested accused when they went there to get the money.

## 15 MONTHS' GAOL SENTENCE

Found guilty of wounding and not guilty of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm, Indian Constable Amar Singh, was sentenced to 15 months' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when the case was resumed.

Complainant was Indian Constable Adjit Singh, who was attacked by accused with a chopper.

## FINED \$25

For avoiding payment of fare on a bus from Kowloon City to the Star Ferry yesterday, Chan Fat-ki, 32, was fined \$25 by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning.

he could not believe that "peoples of goodwill will not once more strive to realise the great ideal of an association of nations by which the freedom, happiness and security of all peoples may be achieved." — Reuter.

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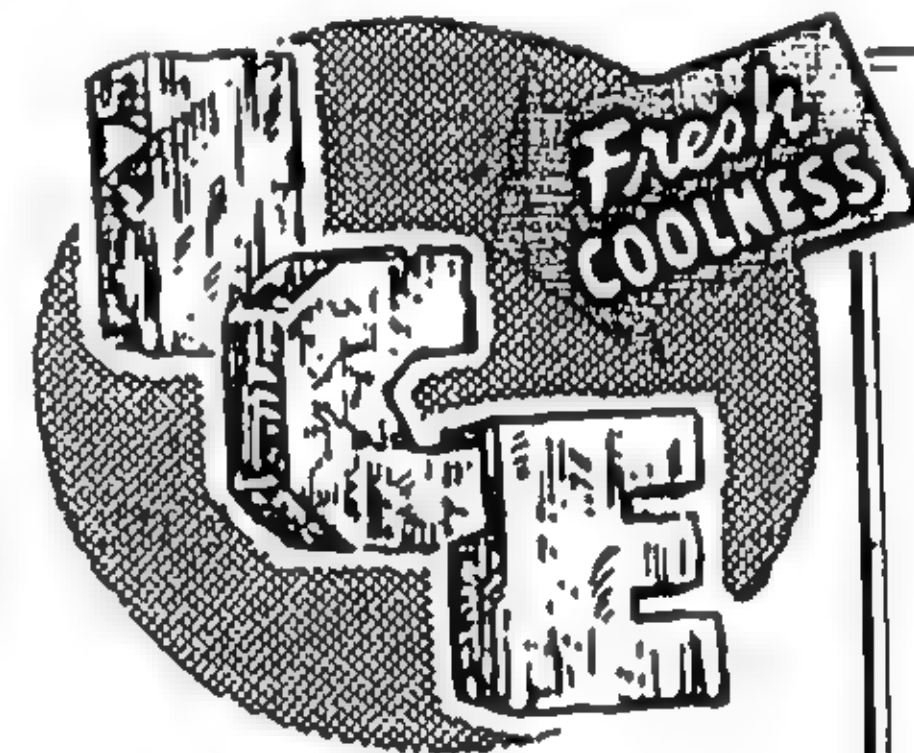
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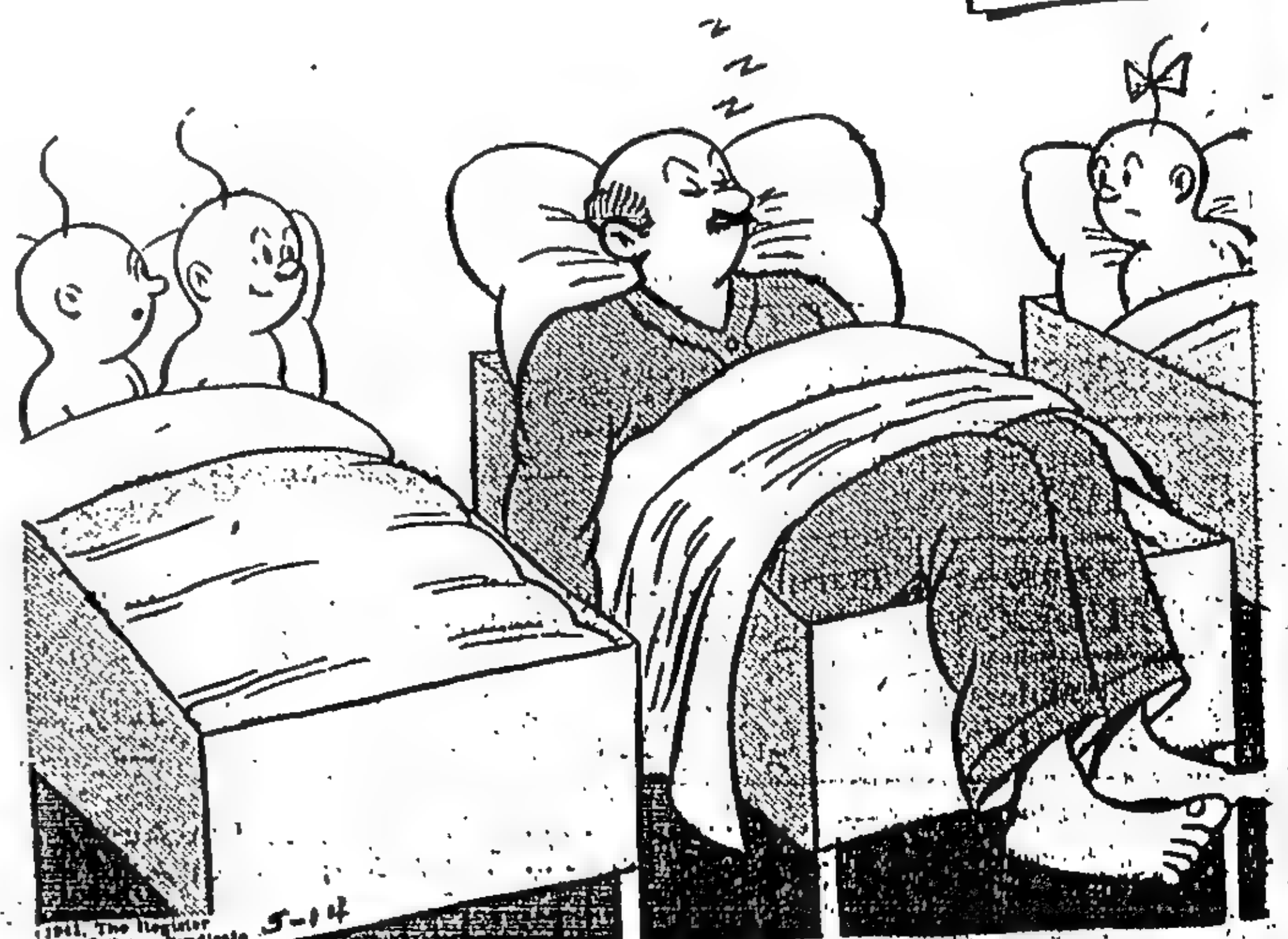
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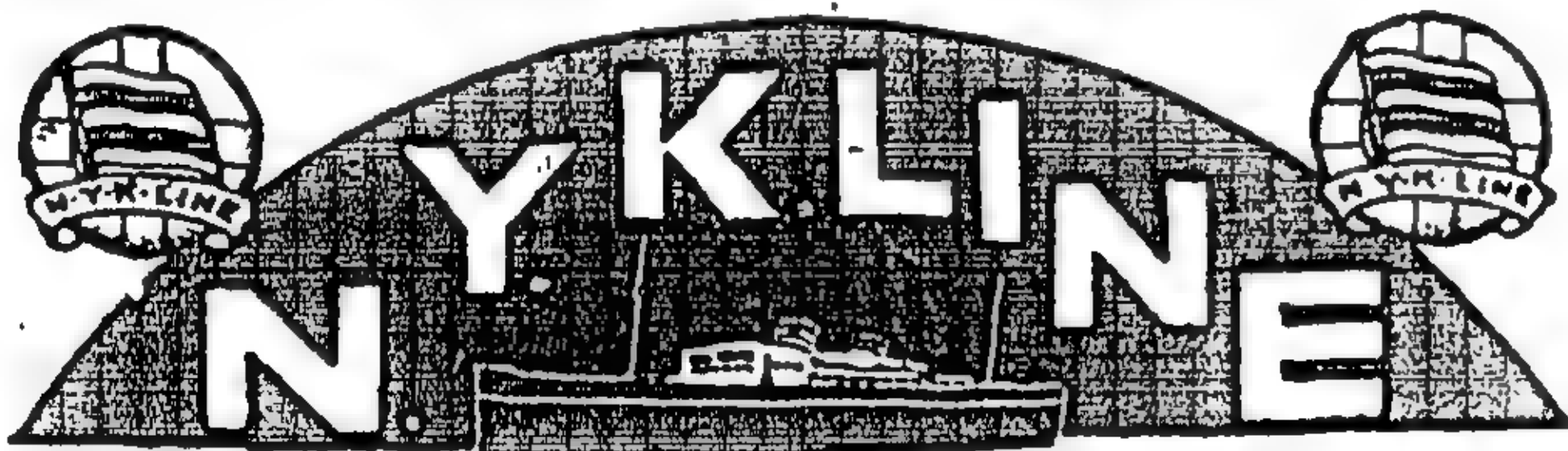
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# GERMAN PILOTS DISINCLINATION OFFER FIGHT

GERMAN AIRMEN ARE BEGINNING TO SHOW A MARKED DISINCLINATION TO FIGHT, ACCORDING TO A BRITISH GROUP CAPTAIN, IN AN ANONYMOUS BROADCAST YESTERDAY.

Describing the effects of British bomber and fighter sweeps over Northern France, he said: "I wish you could see the Hun now as I see him upon his Western Front, once so sure of himself and so arrogant. He is apprehensive now, all of a jump and never knows when and where the next attack is coming."

## GERMAN STORIES OF RAIDS

"IN WATERS AROUND ENGLAND GERMAN BOMBERS SCORED DIRECT HITS ON TWO LARGE FREIGHTERS OTHERS ATTACKED HARBOUR INSTALLATIONS IN SOUTH-EAST ENGLAND," SAYS A GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

"In the Suez Canal bombs of all calibres were dropped on military installations."

"In attempted enemy sweeps over the Channel coast six British fighters were brought down by German fighters."

"British bombers dropped high explosive and incendiary bombs at various places in south-west Germany killing and wounding some civilians. It was mostly houses that were damaged and destroyed. A.A. artillery shot down one attacking bomber."—Reuter.

## EFFECT OF U.S. BLACK LIST

Asked whether he thought the black-listing of 1800 firms and individuals in Latin America by the United States prevented further danger of German infiltration, President Roosevelt said he would not go so far as to say that and then answered with the word: Maybe.

He said he knew of no pending action by the administration to get the Mexican Government and oil companies together on the issue of the expropriated oilfields. He also said he had no information regarding the possibility that another hundred oil tankers would be transferred to Britain.—Reuter.

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# SHOW TO WOUNDED WAR PRISONERS

An account of the progress of negotiations with enemy Powers for the exchange of badly wounded prisoners was sought in the House of Commons yesterday at question-time.

Mr. Richard Law, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that proposals for repatriation by means of hospital or other suitable ships were made last year by the British Government, but were not accepted by the German Government.

A counter-proposal for repatriation from neutral countries by ambulance aircraft had, however, recently been received from Berlin.

While, for practical reasons, the British Government had been unable to accept it in the form in which it had been made, they had made an alternative suggestion which they hoped would be acceptable to the German Government.

Meanwhile, the governments of those neutral countries with whose cooperation it was hoped that the scheme could be put into effect were being approached.

## Italian Discussions

Negotiations with Italy were not necessarily so far advanced as in the case of Germany in view of the fact that no large numbers of prisoners were in question until this year.

Medical commissions, said Mr. Law, should soon be functioning in Italy, the Middle East and India, with a view to selecting those entitled to repatriation. Meanwhile, the means by which repatriation would be effected were under discussion.—Reuter.

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## CZECH MINISTER TO MOSCOW

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns that Zdenek Fierlinger, former Czechoslovak Minister in Moscow, has been appointed to represent Czechoslovakia in the Soviet Union as result of the agreement by which relations between the two countries are resumed.

M. Fierlinger, who is now in London, will shortly leave for Moscow.—Reuter.

# PRICE CONTROL IN BRITAIN

The policy of price stabilisation in Britain as a method of avoiding the evils of inflation is the subject of a White Paper issued yesterday by His Majesty's Government.

Attention is drawn to the fact that increased prices force a demand for increased wages and this leads to progressive inflation which is impossible to check when it gets beyond a certain stage. It is, therefore, of the first importance to check it at the beginning.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his Budget speech said: "I hope we may create the conditions which will enable the wages situation to be held about where it now is. It is clear that the persistence of a tendency toward rising wage rates which necessarily increases costs of production at every stage of the productive progress would compel the abandonment of the stabilisation policy."

The White Paper states: "It is regarded as the duty of both sides in industry to consider together all possible means of preventing a rise in costs of production and so obviate the rise of prices which is the initial step in the inflationary process."

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# F. X. SILVA TO PLAY NO. 1 IN RECREIO'S REORGANISED TEAM

With the majority of their players available against for lawn bowls this Saturday, Club de Recreio have wrung a great many changes in their teams for this week-end. Their "A" team will be playing against their "B" and not one of the rinks that represented them against Police last week remain intact.

Two of the skips who played last Saturday have been replaced—Carlos Silva and F. X. Silva—and their places will be taken by J. F. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves respectively. Ribeiro's front men will be J. Luz, Marques and Xavier. Last week Carlos Silva had D. C. Alves, Marques and J. J. Basto, the last named going back to "B" this week. Carlos Silva is not available.

Alves, who takes over F. X. Silva's place, will have in his rink Silva himself as lead, with C. M. Silva and Noronha as the middle men. R. F. Luz will retain Soares as lead but will have Rosa-Pereira and F. V. V. Ribeiro as Nos. 2 and 3 respectively instead of Noronha and Guterres, who go back to the "B" team.

## "J. J." Returns

C. A. Lopes, who skipped Osmund, Pereira and C. H. Basto in last week's "B" team, will not be playing this time. J. J. Basto returns to the side as skip and will have Alves, Remedios and C. H. Basto in his four.

Returning to his normal position as one of the skips in "B" team, A. P. Guterres will be leading Vas, A. M. Xavier and Rodrigues. The rink last week comprised Machado, C. M. Alves, Carvalho and C. C. Pereira.

E. Souza, who led J. O. Remedios, A. M. Xavier and J. A. Remedios last week, will have a new rink this time in Machado, Noronha and J. O. Remedios.

## Many Changes

Recreio were not engaged in Second Division last week, their match with Prison Officers' Club being called off owing to Volunteer duties. They last played on July 12 when they lost to Kowloon Tong and the team this week is considerably changed from that one. Carvalho retains a rink but two of his front men are changed. The last time he had Sequera, Rosaro, Guterres, and this Saturday his team will be Barros, Rosaro and H. B. Pinna.

Pereira retains Cunha as lead but F. Xavier, who was his No. 3 for the last game, will move up to No. 2, in place of H. M. Xavier, to make room for J. A. Remedios at No. 3. The last named was skip on July 12.

The third rink will comprise Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. Alves and J. R. Soares, as compared with Prata, J. O. Remedios, E. L. Barros and J. A. Remedios for their match with Kowloon Tong.

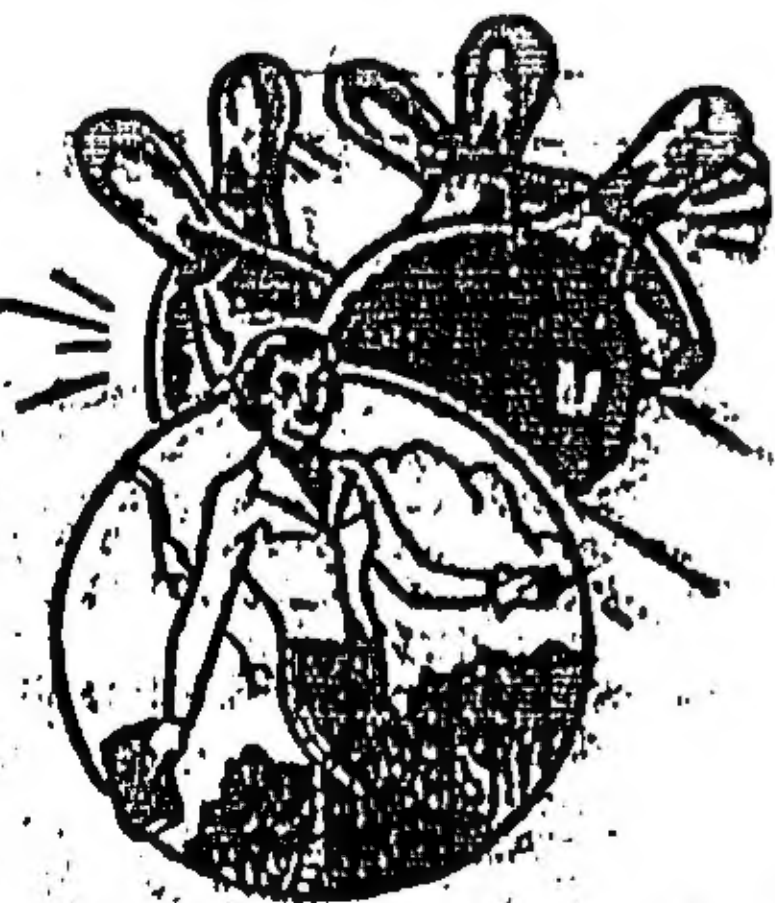
## Complete Reshuffle

Their Third Division team has also been considerably changed about. The only alteration in Yvanovich's rink is that A. Ribeiro comes in as No. 2 in place of A. M. Silva, but the second rink has been completely reshuffled, comprising M. Guterres, J. Remedios, Mendonca and A. P. Pereira as against Alarcon, H. M. Xavier, A. A. da Rosa and H. R. Pinna last week.

Two changes, for the middle positions, are noted in M. F. Pinna's rink. H. M. Xavier and A. A. da Rosa replacing P. d'Almeida and Mendonca at Nos. 2 and 3 respectively.

## Promotion For Sheriff

Kowloon Bowling Green Club "A" have not made many changes for their match this week with Civil Service



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Cricket Club. Holland and Duncan retain the same rinks and the only change in Hall's four is that Sherriff, who was skipping one of the "B" rinks last week, will replace Peckham as No. 3, Peckham taking over one of the "B" fours.

In their "B" team, Gill comes into Meyer's rink as No. 3 to replace Drew, while Peckham will have Hodder, Dixon and Sykes playing for him. Sherriff's rink of last week comprised Hodder, Dixon and Lockhart, the last named this week going No. 3 to Guy instead of Bower, who will be playing in Third Division.

As in the case of their "A" team in First Division, there is only one change in Third Division, this being in Jordan's rink, where Bower replaces Hurst as lead.

## Brown Back As Skip

Hong Kong Cricket Club have made a few changes in their Second Division team this week.

Costello keeps the same four, and in Goodwin's rink there is only one change, Atkinson coming into the team as No. 1 in place of Shields, who returns to Third Division.

Davis, who skipped a rink last week, will be No. 1 this time to Brown, with Hopes retaining his position as No. 2. Edwards, third man in Davis' rink last week, will not be playing this time, and his place will be taken by Nisim.

In Third Division with Monaghan, Shields comes down from Second Division as lead to Abraham, whose rink is otherwise unchanged. Valentine and Doughty go over to Hamilton's four as the first two men in the places of Monaghan and Sewell respectively.

## No Police Change

Police Recreation Club find themselves in the fortunate position of being able to field the same teams in both Second and Third Divisions.

## Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams:

**CLUB DE RECREIO**  
First Division "A" (v. Recreio "B", home):—F. X. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. E. Noronha, H. A. Alves (skip), J. O. Basto, C. F. Marques, I. F. Xavier, J. F. V. Ribeiro (skip), F. X. Soares, C. Rosa-Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

"B" Team:—D. C. Alves, O. P. Remedios, C. H. Basto, J. J. Basto (skip), F. A. Machado, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios, Eddie Souza (skip), C. F. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Guterres (skip).

Second Division (v. H.K.F.C., home):—A. J. Osmund, A. V. Barros, C. M. S. Alves, J. R. Soares (skip), E. L. Barros, L. A. Rosario, H. R. Pinna, M. A. Carvalho (skip), E. Cunha, Fred A. Xavier, J. A. Remedios, C. C. Pereira (skip).

Third Division (v. C.C.C., away):—G. A. Pinna, Arthur Ribeiro, E. A. R. Alves, P. Yvanovich (skip), M. A. Guterres, Jack Remedios, M. Mendonca, A. P. Pereira (skip), F. P. Sequera, H. M. Xavier, A. A. da Rosa, M. F. Pinna (skip).

K.B.G.C.

First Division "A" (v. C.S.C.C., away):—W. L. Walker, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay, A. M. Holland (skip), P. Holloway, H. White, G. H. Sherriff, A. J. Hall (skip), R. P. Phillips, E. Levett, J. McKelvie, R. Duncan (skip).  
First Division "B" (v. I.R.C., away):—W. C. Hodder, V. C. Dixon, L. Sykes, P. A. Peckham (skip), H. Blackall, E. Atkins, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer (skip), G. W. Elphick, K. C. Hamilton, H. L. Lockhart, L. Guy (skip).  
Third Division (v. I.R.C., home):—J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, E. V. Searle, H. Nish (skip), W. M. Wilson, J. S. Dinnen, G. Thompson, C. Wallis (skip), A. Bower, S. C. Walker, C. E. Langley, L. A. Jordan (skip).

HONG KONG C.C.

Second Division (Prison Officers Club, home):—S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Haigh, H. G. Wallington and G. E. Costello (skip), G. C. Alkenhead, T. R. Howell, L. A. R. Duncan and F. Goodwin (skip), R. R. Davies, E. Hopes, A. Nisim and A. W. Brown (skip).

Third Division (v. Police Recreation Club, away):—H. P. Shields, L. E. N. Ryan, P. S. Cassidy and E. S. Abraham (skip), D. J. Valentine, E. S. Doughty, A. S. Mitchell and P. J. A. Hamilton (skip), T. C. Monaghan, G. W. Sewell, B. J. Lucan and A. McKellar (skip).

POLICE R.C.

First Division (v. Craigengower Cricket Club, away):—W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dail and J. Shepherd (skip), C. H. Gough, C. Pitt, G. Perkins and W. Malt (skip), E. G. Post, J. M. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. S. Fender (skip).

Third Division (v. Hong Kong Cricket Club, home):—L. C. Penhall, A. J. Johnson, F. C. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip), A. Soutar, W. M. Smith, S. Nolan and J. MacDonald (skip), J. E. Hayward, J. S. Riddell, J. R. Mac-Walter and J. Aiken (skip). Reserves: W. J. D. Cameron, G. Willerton, J. Hendridge, G. Davis and H. B. Dewar.



W. J. Butler, winner, and Hugh Smith, right, photographed on Sunday, when the Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's Junior Section Championship was played at the Valley. Butler won by 2 up over 36 holes.

# POLICE PAIR SCORE A 7 TO WIN 24-14

Due to Volunteer and A.R.P. exercises in connection with the black-out, the lawn bowls programme was again curtailed yesterday, only four Second Round matches being played in the Colony Pairs Championship.

Honours of the day went to the Police pair W. Cameron and E. G. Post who, in beating J. W. Leonard and W. K. Way of Craigengower, chalked up a 7 at the 9th when they were already holding a comfortable lead of 8-2. They finally won by 24-14, the match being played at the Civil Service Cricket Club.

Post scored at 14 ends and it was due mainly to their better combination that the Police pair forged ahead slowly but surely, until they had gained a 24-12 lead by the penultimate end. Scores were:—  
E.G.P.: 2100211170001100  
11140  
W.K.W.: 0011000002110024  
00002

## Stranges Lose

C. E. Marques and J. E. Noronha beat the Strange brothers, E. and H., by 31 shots to 14 after scoring at 12 ends.

It was quite evident from the early stages that the Portuguese pair were too good for the brothers who, nevertheless, put up as good a fight as they could under the circumstances.

Noronha and his partner had two 5's, two 4's and two 3's included in their score, while the biggest count notched up by the Strange brothers was a 3 which came at the 5th end to trail 4-5. Thereafter, however, the Portuguese asserted themselves and by the 17th brought their total to double that of their opponents. Scores were:—  
J.E.N.: 13010103410002051  
0450  
H.E.S.: 00103020002110100  
2001

## Interesting Game

At Club de Recreio B. A. Mansell and G. E. Stephens beat M. Ferguson and W. D. MacMaster by 21-18.

Scoring at 11 ends, the winners had a 5 at the 7th, and this rather consolidated their position, for they were, up till then, only leading 6-4. MacMaster, however, fought back doggedly and had reduced the arrears to 15-10 by the 16th with 1121302, but a run of 12101 clinched the issue for the Hong Kong Football Club pair. Scores were:—  
G.E.S.: 2101205020000030  
12101  
W.M.M.: 0000010101121302  
00010

## Simpson's Good Run

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club A. Eastman and W. C. Simpson beat J. McCarragh and T. Pitts by 25-11.

The winners scored at 14 ends and were playing the better brand of bowls right through. Their biggest count was a 4 at the 4th, but they had a good run of 13021212 to lead 18-8 at the 15th, and then they gave away a brace only to come back with 1311 to finish off the game. Scores were:—  
W.C.S.: 0104100130212120  
20130  
T.P.: 10100011002000001  
02000

George Lal, Craigengower Cricket Club Third Division League tennis player, is a patient in Queen Mary Hospital, where he recently underwent an operation. Lal has had some bad luck with illness this season. It will be recalled that earlier on a sprained wrist precluded his participation in sport, and just as he had recovered sufficiently to play tennis again, he developed abdominal trouble which necessitated the operation, from which he is now making good recovery.

# History Of U.S. Open Golf Championship

AT WHAT AGE DOES A GOLFER HAVE TO ADMIT THAT HIS YEARS LESSEN HIS CHANCES OF WINNING THE AMERICA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP?

Wood at 39—going on 40—knew he could win the 1941 Open tournament at Colonial Club, Port Worth.

Age, Wood says, doesn't mean anything. In his opinion all a golfer needs to keep winning tournaments is distance and incentive. And big, blonde Craig says he has both of them, plus the valuable asset of experience.

But records show Wood's age was against him.

## Winner At 43

Only one player of more than 39 has won the title—Edward Ray of England was 43 when he came home first in 1920. Ray and Willie MacFarlane, who was 36 when he beat Bob Jones in the 1925 playoff, are the only winners beyond 35.

Actually, there have been only 10 winners in the 44 tournaments who were over 30. These were Joe Lloyd, 1897; Lawrence Auchterlonie, 1902; Alex Smith, 1910; Ray, 1920; Jim Barnes, 1921; Cyril Walker, 1924; MacFarlane, 1925; Tommy Armour, 1927; Olin Dutra, 1934, and Tony Manero, 1936. Gene Sarazen was 38 when he tied Lawson Little and lost in last year's playoff.

## Terrific Strain

Wood believed his age would be of value in one respect, his years of competition would prevent him from becoming panicky under the terrific strain of the final day's play.

Many players with good early scores blow up in the drive down the stretch. Craig says he doesn't worry about those ahead of him, he just plays his best and waits for them to crack.

But some young fellows haven't acquired nerves and won't crack. Johnny McDermott probably didn't know what nerves were when he won the crown in 1911 at 19, the youngest champ. He repeated it the next year. Francis Ouimet was barely 20 when he became the first amateur to win in 1913, beating Harry Vardon and Ray, two British challengers, in a playoff. Sarazen was 20 when he won in 1922. Jones, in 1923, and Walter Hagen, in 1914, were 22 when they won their first championships. The average age of Open champions is in the middle twenties.

## At His Best

Wood has played perhaps the best golf of his career in the past two years. He shot an all-time low for a 72-hole medal play tournament over a championship length course in 1940, when he won the Metropolitan Open with 264, and he recently won the Augusta Masters.

Wood tied for the 1939 Open and lost in a playoff with Byron Nelson. Last year he was fourth. He has tied for first—and lost in the playoff—for two other major championships, the Professional Golfers' and the British Open.

# TO-DAY'S BOWLS FIXTURE

As far as can be ascertained up to the time of writing, there is only one Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship match arranged for this afternoon, this being the game between U. A. and A. H. Rumjahn, of Indian R.C. and H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, of Club de Recreio and holders of the title since 1939, on the Civil Service C.C. ground.

It is learned from Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, that the other postponed matches in this competition will be played to-morrow and on Friday, though he has had no notification regarding the new dates for these games.

Major Frank Hogg, popular veterinary surgeon of Hong Kong Jockey Club, has gone to Australia on a short holiday. He will be back in the Colony in about two months' time.

Many well-known tennis players are taking part in the 54th invitation tournament at Seabright, New Jersey. First Round winners included Helen Jacobs, who beat Mrs. Coleman 6-1, 6-0, and Bobby Riggs, who beat J. Moorhead 6-1, 6-2. Arthur Marx, son of Groucho Marx, film comedian, was also among the winners. —Reuter.

Ray Robinson, young Philadelphia negro, who has been boxing professionally for a year, remains unbeaten following a decision in a 10-round bout against Sammy Angott, world lightweight champion, according to the National Boxing Association. The title was not at stake, but Robinson floored Angott twice in the second round and easily won seven rounds. —Reuter.

# U.S. OPEN FACTS

YOUNGEST CHAMPION—Johnny McDermott was 19 when he won in 1911.

OLDEST CHAMPION—Edward Ray was 43 when he won in 1920.

LOWEST SCORE—Ralph Guldahl's 281 in 1927.

HIGHEST SCORE—Willie Anderson's 331 in 1901.

FIRST WINNER BELOW 300—Alex Smith, 295 in 1906.

FIRST WINNER BELOW 290—Charles Evans, 288 in 1916.

MOST CHAMPIONSHIPS—Willie Anderson and Bob Jones, 4.

MOST SUCCESSIVE CHAMPION—SHIPS—Anderson, three (1903-04-05).

LAST FOREIGN WINNER—Edward Ray of England in 1920 (Tommy Armour, living in U.S. but born in Scotland, 1927).

FOREIGN-BORN PLAYOFF—Armour and Harry Cooper, born in England, 1927.

AMATEUR WINNERS—Francis Ouimet (1913), Jerome Travers (1915), Charles Evans (1916), Bob Jones (1923-26-29-30) and Johnny Goodman (1933).

# TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

A full programme of League Tennis matches is scheduled to be decided this afternoon, as follows:

C.R.C. (2) v. Recreio

University v. Army T.C.

Craigengower v. Kowloon Tong

South China v. Kowloon C.C.

Indian R.C. v. C.R.C. (2)

Some of the probable teams are:—

Recreio: H. A. and G. A. Noronha;

H. F. Gonsalves and A. E. Noronha;

F. J. and J. J. Remedios.

Kowloon Tong: L. Chen and D. Kwok;

A. H. Basto and K. M. Lee; S. Hsu and D. Chen.

Indian R.C.: M. P. Madar and A. R. H. Esmail; M. Abdul-Wahab and M. Hassan; A. Rahman and I. Kitchell.

South China: J. Hsu and H. C. Kwok;

K. H. Ip and S. Y. Li; K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong.

Kowloon Indians: S. A. and S. S. Hussain; Mahan Singh and S. A. M. Sopher; M. Ramzan and K. S. Mehral.

Craigengower: J. W. Leonard and W. K. Lee; W. J. Howard and K. L. Wong.

A. Kitchell and A. N. Other.

C.R.C. (2): Yu Tak-cheuk and Wong Shu-wing; Ng Kam-chuen and P. F. Choy; L. F. Hon and Lam Yuk-ying.

C.R.C. (1): S. W. Wong and C. C. Luk; K. C. Ng and B. F. Choy; C. Y. Lam and C. N. Tsang.

# INTERPORT FOOTBALL

Though Shanghai and Manila were unable to send football teams to Hong Kong last year for Interport game, provision will be made by Hong Kong Football Association for such games in the Spring. Certain dates during the Chinese New Year holidays for Interport games have already been reserved.

The annual Interport game with Macao is held during Easter week.

# FOOTBALL CLUB WITHOUT DAVIS

Hong Kong Football Club will be without the services of Davis, footballer, who played a number of games for them last season. Davis is leaving shortly on transfer.

The soccer section of Hong Kong Football Club are holding their annual meeting on August 30.

Fui Ngai Recreation Club, who were admitted to Third Division of Football League, was founded by employees of the cotton goods factories in Kowloon. To date they have done well in basketball, volleyball, and in the miniature football League.



## SCHOOLS' AQUATIC MEETING

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB, EVER ANXIOUS AND WILLING TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG SWIMMERS, HAVE DECIDED TO HOLD A SWIMMING GALA ON AUGUST 23 WHICH WILL BE OPEN TO ALL SCHOOLS OF THE COLONY AND WHICH WILL BE IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS RUN BY THE SCHOOLS THEMSELVES.

A preliminary meeting was held on July 10, when tentative arrangements were made for the gala, but a final meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5, when further points will be discussed.

One very important ruling of the competition is that all competitors representing any school must have been registered at least three months prior to the heats.

The events will be divided into three classes, namely Boys, senior and junior, and Girls. There is no age or height limit for senior boys, while the junior swimmers must be under 15 years of age and under 5 ft. 1 in. in height. There will be only one class for girl swimmers.

### Chance For All

In order that more swimmers may compete, no competitor will be allowed to enter for more than two individual events, excluding diving and relay races. A junior swimmer may compete in the senior events but not in both sections. The usual method of scoring will be carried out.

After the competition members of V.R.C. will give a demonstration of diving and swimming.

Entries close on August 4, and sportsmasters are requested to send their entries in time and to attend the meeting on August 5.

Following is the list of events:

**BOYS' EVENTS (SENIOR)**

200 Yards free-style Relay (4 x 50)

150 Yards Medley Relay Race

100 Yards free-style

220 Yards free-style

100 Yards breast-stroke

100 Yards back-stroke

100 Yards back-stroke

Fence Diving (10 metre board)

**BOYS' EVENTS (JUNIOR)**

200 Yards free-style Relay

150 Yards Medley Relay

500 Yards free-style

100 Yards free-style

50 Yards back-stroke

50 Yards breast-stroke

Diving (one metre board)

**GIRLS' EVENTS**

200 Yards free-style Relay

50 Yards free-style

50 Yards back-stroke

50 Yards breast-stroke

Diving (three metre board)

New York Giants, who could win only five games from Brooklyn all last year, won the first three games from the Dodgers this season.



"Batling" Rio realised Hong Kong was dead as far as boxing was concerned and successfully sought laurels overseas.

## FRENCH CONVENT SPORT LOUIS GOOD

### Yolle Sisters Will Be Missed



Yvonne Yolle

French Convent sport will suffer a severe blow when the school re-opens after the mid-Summer holidays in September, for amongst those who will have left school are the Yolle sisters, Yvonne and Jeanne, two of the leading lights.

Worse than that, however, is the fact that others who played such a prominent part in winning the "A" Grade championship for the school at the All Schools' and Open Athletic Meeting earlier in the year will also probably be leaving, including Jacqueline Anderson, who is the school's leading swimmer, in addition to being a member of the softball, net-ball and athletic teams.

The champion team of last year comprised Yvonne Yolle, Jacqueline Anderson, Jamalee Abdul-Curree, Priscilla Pires, Connie Law and Jeanne Yolle, and it is more than likely that of these only the Misses Abdul-Curree, Pires and Law will be left to carry on the good work.

### Victrix Ludorum

Yvonne Yolle was the senior Victrix Ludorum at the school's athletic sports last year. Her sister, Jeanne, was also prominent with some good performances, while Jackie Anderson is easily the school's best all-rounder.

It is interesting to note that Jamalee Abdul-Curree is the younger sister of Miss Hajara Abdul-Curree, who just took her Arts degree at Hong Kong University and who has been one of the leading all-round lady athletes at the University for a number of years. Like her elder sister, Jamalee is a useful performer in sprint races and is capable of covering the 100 Yards in just under 12 seconds. She was also second to Yvonne Yolle in the 220 Yards and High Jump at the school sports early this year.

Miss Pires is also a sprinter of no mean ability, while another member of the Yolle family, Colette, who was one of the best junior performers at the

## BASEBALL LEAGUE MEETING

A meeting of Hong Kong Baseball League will be held on Friday to consider H.B.L.'s resignation from the League and to re-arrange the fixtures for the rest of the season.

The annual representatives' meeting of Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation will be held on Thursday next, July 31. The new committee for the coming year will be elected at this meeting.

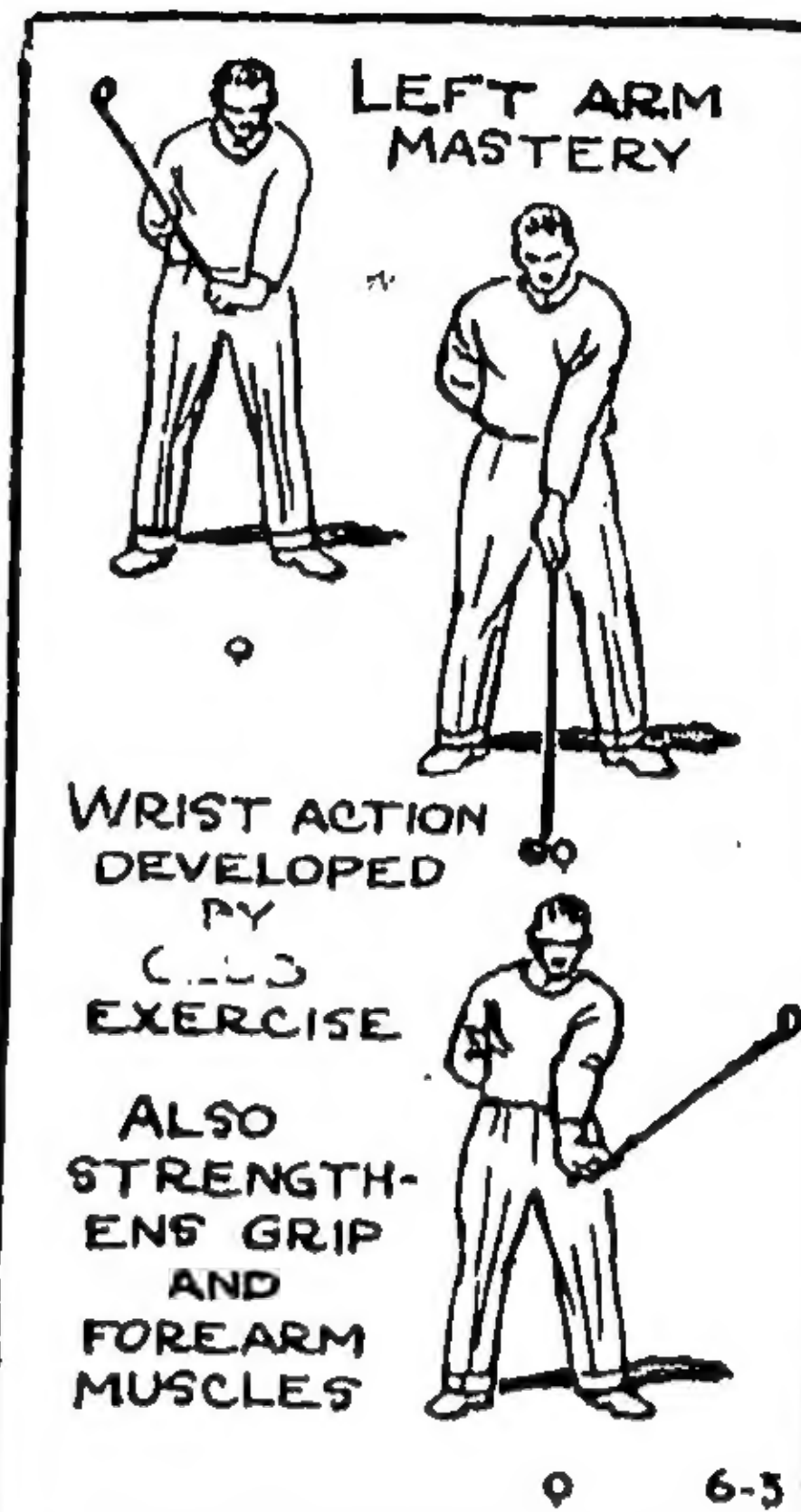
## Easier Golf

### IMPROVING THE LEFT ARM ACTION

By Best Ball

To achieve left arm mastery in golf it is often necessary to give some time to practice with this arm alone. As a matter of fact such a procedure will be a help to any golfer intent on improving his game. For this exercise not only makes one more left arm conscious; it also strengthens the muscles and grip of the left hand and forearm besides developing a more flexible left wrist.

Golfers may vary the routine to suit their own ideas of development but the above exercise serves the purpose quite well. Standing in his customary golf stance, left arm extended and gripping the club, the player swings the club to the right by a roll of the forearm, supplementing this action with a wrist turn which carries the club in a sharp arc upward. The down-swing is made by reversing this process, swinging the club down and ahead by a forearm twist, then bending the left wrist to complete



the stroke. Employ a light club at first for this exercise, increasing the weight as one gains in strength and proficiency.

Next Article:—Don't Dash Club Down.

last meeting, is expected to keep the family flag flying amongst the seniors this year.

The school's softball team will also be considerably weakened as a result of these departures, for Yvonne Yolle was best batting, as well as fielding, performer last season, while Jackie Anderson was the team's heaviest slugger. Jeanne Yolle also played well in the field.

Wayne Sabin of Reno, Nevada, second seeded player, advanced to the final of the annual Bathing and Tennis Club's invitation tournament at Spelling Lake, N.J., on July 11 by eliminating Jack Kramer of Los Angeles, third seeded, in a five-set battle, 4-6, 6-1, 6-8, 6-1, 6-0. Pitcher Paul Christman, Missouri's fine back, plays first base in baseball.

## KID ANDRE COMEBACK IN SHANGHAI

News received from Shanghai is to the effect that Kid Andre, one time leading contender for the light-heavyweight boxing title of China, will be making a comeback at the Canidrome on August 10, when, in the tournament sponsored by Shanghai Sports Association, he will be in opposition to "Yam" Yamolovich, one of the best scrappers, at that weight, in the Northern city to-day.

Indications are that those in charge of the Shanghai Sports Association are planning their future boxing programme on an elaborate scale and they already have in the offing a fight for the light-heavyweight championship of the Orient between Nicki Wan and "Kuyo" Tihanoff.

### Whither Hong Kong?

As a Shanghai sports writer so aptly puts it, "things are certainly looking up in Cauliflower Row" in that city where, in sharp contrast to Hong Kong, boxing not only enjoys a big following, but where even the most inexperienced of boxers are given every encouragement at the slightest sign of promise.

Boxing in Hong Kong died a natural death with the winding up of Hong Kong Boxing Association some years ago, and for some time now the only boxing that followers of that sport have enjoyed are the Army tournaments, but these are too few and far between. As a result of this complete lack of interest in boxing here, some of the most promising youngsters, "Young" Aromin and "Iron" Bux Jnr., to name only two, have had to be content with "shadow boxing" for some three or four years.

### One Fighter Lost

"Batling" Rio, who was so keen on the game, left the Colony to seek laurels in Malaya, and reports received in the Colony from time to time appear to bear out Rio's contention that if a Hong Kong boxer wants action and opportunity his best bet is to leave the Colony.

Rio won the middleweight title of Java and the welterweight championship of the Orient.

He is the second Hong Kong-born boxer to have won a Far Eastern title, "Iron" Bux, father of "Iron" Bux Jnr., being the first when he won the lightweight championship of the Orient some 25 years ago. He also won every title in the Philippines, from bantamweight to middleweight at one time or another.

Johnny Knolla, America's leading ground gainer as a Croighton University back last Autumn, has signed to play pro football with Pittsburgh Steelers, but many become a marine officer.

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# JAPANESE NORTHERN TROOP MOVEMENTS

## Attack On Siberia Still Believed Unlikely

### Japan's Observers In Russia Praise

#### Red Army

#### SOVIET HOLD ANOTHER VIEW

An early Japanese move against Siberia is believed likely by Soviet well-informed circles in Shanghai which are of opinion that should anything happen in Indo-China it would be in the nature of a smoke-screen for activities on the Manchurian border.—Reuter.

#### SOUTH AFRICA TO ADOPT THE "V"

General Smuts has appealed to South Africa to adopt the "V" sign as its own.

"Tortured peoples of Europe," he said, "have suddenly and spontaneously accepted the 'V' as a symbol of their release from their agony. It has spread to America

DESPITE REPORTS of Japanese troop movements northwards from China in the direction of Outer Mongolia and Siberia, well-informed Washington circles do not believe Japan intends any immediate attack on Siberia.

It is felt she is more likely to make a move to establish herself more firmly in Indo-China, to be ready for any future promising developments.

It is similarly believed that such troop-moving north is in conformity with the policy of watchful waiting in readiness to strike should Russia completely collapse before the German onslaught and should this result in the breakdown of the Russian Far Eastern Army.

Japan, however, does not appear to expect such a collapse. Only first-hand accounts of the Russian fighting to reach Washington comes from the Far East, Japanese military attaches being the only foreign military people allowed to visit the Russian front.

Their reports, it is credibly stated in Washington, reflect admiration for the manner in which the Red Army is being

—everywhere it is the expression of the people's firm confidence in our victory.—Reuter.

used, adding it holds the line as long as possible and withdraws in reasonable order and then attacks the German flanks and often the rear as well. Japanese observers are quoted as saying these movements are "beautifully executed."

#### Fighting Force

While they are said to express the belief that Leningrad and Kiev will be occupied and the Germans will eventually reach Moscow, they are stated to hold the view that the bulk of the Red Army will withdraw as a fighting force to the east of the Soviet capital.—Reuter.

### Rumours Cause Disquiet

(By REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT)

There is no definite news from the Far East in authoritative quarters in London but it is significant that disquieting rumours regarding Japanese intentions concerning Indo-China continue notwithstanding the Japanese Cabinet changes.

In this regard it is noteworthy that Mr. Ohashi, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, who gave Sir Robert Craigie, our Ambassador, most categorical assurances regarding the purity of Japanese intentions in Indo-China, has been relieved of office at his own request.—Reuter.

### TAFT OFFERS SCHEME

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") SENATOR TAFT, THE ISOLATIONIST LEADER, HAS SUGGESTED A COMPROMISE PLAN, DESIGNED TO KEEP THE ARMY AT A STRENGTH OF 1,940,000 INDEFINITELY, WITHOUT KEEPING SELECTEES AND NATIONAL GUARDSMEN IN THE ARMY FOR MORE THAN FOUR MONTHS AFTER ONE YEAR.

The scheme proposes the release of 75,000 men per month after February of next year, with a similar number replacing them.

At the same time, Senator Thomas of Utah has submitted a Bill which includes a proposal permitting the selectees to volunteer for overseas duty.—International News Service.

### STOP PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A further warning to Americans against deluding themselves with the belief that the Nazis will spend their vitality in the Russian campaign has been given by Mr. Sumner Welles. He said there was reason to believe that operations to encompass Turkey, Dakar and the Cape Verde islands were impending.—International News Service.

A virtual embargo against British news was clamped down in Hankow by the Chinese puppet authorities, both Reuters and the British-owned "Central China Post" being forced to close down. The suspension is alleged to be due to intimidation by the so-called Social Bureau of the Chinese Municipality.—Reuter.

The "V" war has started in Shanghai between British and Axis newspapers, following the adoption of the letter by both parties as the symbol for victory. The British dailies, the "North China Daily News" and the "Noon Bulletin" carried large "V's" on their front pages to-day, as also did the German and Italian propaganda sheets.—Reuter.

### ABUSED POLICE OFFICER

ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN ABUSIVE BOTH WHEN ARRESTED AND IN THE POLICE STATION, CHU KWOK-FU, 38, WAS FINED \$25 BY MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING FOR LIGHTING HIS CIGARETTE - LIGHTER FOUR OR FIVE TIMES AT THE JUNCTION OF SAIGON AND WOOSUNG STREETS DURING THE BLACK-OUT.

Stating that he had adopted a similar method during actual raids in Liverpool, Lau Ping, 27, fitter, was discharged for flashing a torch, which a warden alleged was not effectively screened.

Accused used a piece of blue paper inside the torch, besides a blue bulb and also screened it with two layers of his handkerchief.

Fines ranging from \$5 to \$10 were imposed on eight offenders for similar offences.

Before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, nine offenders were ordered to pay fines ranging from \$1 to \$5.

### PLIGHT OF GONDAR GARRISON

It is learned in London that Italian deserters in the Wolcheft area — fifty miles north of Gondar in Abyssinia — report that the enemy's food situation is critical, but that the garrison has been ordered to fight to the last.—British Wireless.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Indicating the appearance of German raiders for the second successive night, despite the rough handling of the previous night, Moscow Radio went off the air last night and maintained, most of the time afterwards, a similar silence as on Monday night.—International News Service.

It was officially announced in Hanoi to-day that Japan submitted important demands to the Vichy Government concerning Japanese expansion in south Indo-China.—Reuter.

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